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Exodus

THE HOUSE OF BONDAGE

AND Joseph died, and all his brethren, and all that generation.

And the children of Israel increased abundantly, and the land was filled with them.

Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who knew not Joseph. And he said unto his people, "Behold, the people of the children of Israel are too many and too mighty for us. Come, let us deal wisely with them, lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there shall be a war, they also join themselves unto our enemies, and fight against us, and get them up out of the land."

Therefore they did set over them taskmasters to afflict them with their burdens. And they built for Pharaoh store-cities, Pithom and Raamses.

But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and the more they spread abroad. And they were adread because of the children of Israel.

And the Egyptians made the children of Israel to serve with rigor. And they made their lives

bitter with hard service, in mortar and in brick, and in all manner of service in the field.

And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, "Every son that is born ye shall cast into the river, and every daughter ye shall save alive."

—Exodus, Chapter 1.

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And they made their lives bitter with hard service.

THE ARK OF BULRUSHES

AND there went a man of the house of Levi, and took to wife a daughter of Levi. And the woman bore a son; and when she saw that he was a goodly child, she hid him three months.

And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch; and she put the child therein, and laid it in the bulrushes by the river's brink. And his sister stood afar off, to know what would be done with him.

And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe in the river; and her maidens walked along by the river-side. And she saw the ark among the bulrushes and sent her hand-maid to fetch it. And she opened it, and saw it, even the child; and, behold, a boy that wept.

And she had pity on him, and said, "This is one of the Hebrews' children."

Then said his sister to Pharaoh's daughter,

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And she opened it, and saw it, even the child.

"Shall I go and call thee a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for thee?"

And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Go."

And the maiden went and called the child's mother. And Pharaoh's daughter said unto her, "Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages." And the woman took the child, and nursed it.

And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. And she called his name Moses,[1] and said, "Because I drew him out of the water."

—Exodus, Chapter 2.

(1) The Hebrew word for *Moses* is *Mosheh.* The Hebrew word *mashah* means *to draw out.*

FROM THE PALACE OF PHARAOH

AND it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown up, that he went out unto his brethren, and looked on their burdens; and he saw an Egyptian smiting a Hebrew, one of his brethren. And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there was no man, he smote the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.

And he went out the second day, and, behold, two men of the Hebrews were fighting together; and he said to him that did the wrong, "Wherefore smitest thou thy comrade?"

And he said, "Who made thee a ruler and a judge over us? Thinkest thou to kill me, as thou didst kill the Egyptian?"

And Moses feared, and said, "Surely the thing is known."

Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian; and he sat down by a well.

Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters;

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But Moses stood up and helped them.

and they came and drew water, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock. And the shepherds came and drove them away; but Moses stood up and helped them, and watered their flock.

And when they came to their father, he said, "How is it that ye are come so soon to-day?"

And they said, "An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds, and moreover he drew water for us, and watered the flock."

And he said unto his daughters, "And where is he? Why is it that ye have left the man? Call him, that he may eat bread."

And Moses was content to dwell with the man; and he gave Moses Zipporah his daughter.

—Exodus, Chapter 2.

THE BURNING BUSH

AND it came to pass in the course of those many days that the king of Egypt died; and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage. And God heard their groaning, and God remembered His covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.

Now Moses was keeping the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian. And he led the flock to the farthest end of the wilderness, and came to the mountain of God, unto Horeb.

And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. And he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

And Moses said, "I will turn aside now, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt."

And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, "Moses, Moses."

And he said, "Here am I."

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"The place whereon thou standest is holy ground."

And He said, "Draw not nigh hither. Put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground." Moreover He said, "I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God.

And the Lord said, "I have surely seen the hardships of My people that are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their pains. And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey, unto the place of the Canaanite.

"Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth My people the children of Israel out of Egypt."

And Moses said unto God, "Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?"

And He said, "Certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be the sign unto thee, that I have sent thee: when thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain."

And Moses said unto God, "Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, 'The God of your fathers hath sent me unto

you,' and they shall say unto me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say unto them?"

And God said unto Moses, "I AM THAT I AM." And He said, "Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel: 'I AM hath sent me unto you.'"

And God said moreover unto Moses, "Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel: 'The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you; this is My name for ever, and this is My memorial unto all generations.'

"Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and say unto them, 'The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, hath appeared unto me, saying: I have surely remembered you, and seen that which is done to you in Egypt. And I have said: I will bring you up out of the hardships of Egypt unto the land of the Canaanite; unto a land flowing with milk and honey.'

"And they shall listen to thy voice. And thou shalt come, thou and the elders of Israel, unto the king of Egypt, and ye shall say unto him, 'The Lord, the God of the Hebrews, hath met with us. And now let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to the Lord our God.'"

And Moses said unto the Lord, "O Lord, I am not a man of words, neither heretofore, nor since

Thou hast spoken unto Thy servant; for I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue."

And the Lord said unto him, "Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh a man dumb, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I the Lord? Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt speak. And Aaron thy brother shall be thy spokesman unto the people."

—Exodus, Chapters 2, 3, 4.

BRICKS WITHOUT STRAW

AND the Lord said to Aaron, "Go into the wilderness to meet Moses." And he went, and met him in the mountain of God, and kissed him. And Moses told Aaron all the words of the Lord wherewith He had sent him.

And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the children of Israel. And Aaron spoke all the words which the Lord had spoken unto Moses. And the people believed; and when they heard that the Lord had remembered the children of Israel, and that He had seen their hardships, then they bowed their heads and worshipped.

And afterward Moses and Aaron came, and said unto Pharaoh, "Thus saith the Lord, the God of Israel, 'Let My people go, that they may hold a feast unto Me in the wilderness.'"

And Pharaoh said, "Who is the Lord, that I should listen unto His voice to let Israel go? I know not the Lord, and moreover I will not let Israel go."

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And the number of the bricks, which they did make heretofore ye shall lay upon them; ye shall not diminish aught thereof.

And they said, "The God of the Hebrews hath met with us. Let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice unto the Lord our God."

And the king of Egypt said unto them, "Wherefore do you, Moses and Aaron, cause the people to break loose from their work? Get you unto your burdens." And Pharaoh said, "Behold, the people of the land are now many, and will ye make them rest from their burdens?"

And the same day Pharaoh commanded the taskmasters of the people, and their officers, saying, "Ye shall no more give the people straw to make brick, as heretofore. Let them go and gather straw for themselves. And the number of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye shall lay upon them; ye shall not take away aught thereof; for they are idle; therefore they cry, saying, 'Let us go and sacrifice to our God.' Let heavier work be laid upon the men, that they may labor therein; and let them not regard lying words."

And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spoke to the people, saying, "Thus saith Pharaoh: 'I will not give you straw. Go yourselves, get you straw where ye can find it; for your work shall not be made less.' "

So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble for straw.

And the taskmasters were urgent, saying, "Finish your work, your daily task, as when there was straw." And the officers of the children of Israel, whom Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten, saying, "Wherefore have ye not finished your appointed task in making brick both yesterday and to-day as heretofore?"

Then the officers of the children of Israel came and cried unto Pharaoh, saying, "Wherefore dealest thou thus with thy servants? There is no straw given unto us, and they say to us, 'Make brick;' and, behold, we are beaten, but the fault is in thine own people."

But he said, "Ye are idle, ye are idle; therefore ye say, 'Let us go and sacrifice to the Lord.' Go therefore now, and work; for no straw shall be given you, yet shall ye deliver the number of bricks."

And the officers of the children of Israel did see that they were set on mischief, when they said, "Ye shall not take away aught from your bricks, your daily task."

And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from Pharaoh. And they said unto them, "The Lord look upon you, and judge; because ye have made us to be hated in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to slay us."

And Moses returned unto the Lord, and said,

"Lord, wherefore hast Thou dealt ill with this people? Why is it that Thou hast sent me? For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in Thy name, he hath dealt ill with this people; neither hast Thou delivered Thy people at all."

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Now shalt thou see what I will do to Pharaoh; for by a strong hand shall he let them go, and by a strong hand shall he drive them out of his land."

—Exodus, Chapters 4, 5, 6.

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Brick Making.

WITH GREAT JUDGMENTS

AND the Lord said unto Moses, "Pharaoh's heart is stubborn; he refuseth to let the people go. Get thee unto Pharaoh in the morning; lo, he goeth out unto the water; and thou shalt stand by the river's brink to meet him.

"And thou shalt say unto him, 'The Lord, the God of the Hebrews, hath sent me unto thee, saying: Let My people go that they may serve Me in the wilderness; and, behold, before this thou hast not obeyed. Thus saith the Lord: In this thou shalt know that I am the Lord—behold, I will smite with the rod that is in my hand upon the waters which are in the river, and they shall be turned to blood. And the fish that are in the river shall die, and the river shall become foul; and the Egyptians shall loathe to drink water from the river.' "

And Moses did so, as the Lord commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and smote the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters that were in the

"Thus saith the Lord, the God of the Hebrews: 'Let My people go, that they may serve Me.' "

river were turned to blood. And the fish that were in the river died; and the river became foul, and the Egyptians could not drink water from the river; and the blood was throughout all the land of Egypt. And all the Egyptians digged round about the river for water to drink; for they could not drink of the water of the river. And seven days passed, after the Lord had smitten the river.

And the Lord spoke unto Moses, "Go in unto Pharaoh, and say unto him, 'Thus saith the Lord: Let My people go, that they may serve Me. And if thou refuse to let them go, behold, I will smite all thy borders with frogs. And the river shall swarm with frogs, which shall go up and come into thy house, and into thy bed-chamber, and upon thy bed, and into the house of thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy kneading-troughs. And the frogs shall come up both upon thee, and upon thy people, and upon all thy servants.' "

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Say unto Aaron, 'Stretch forth thy hand with thy rod over the rivers, over the canals, and over the pools, and cause frogs to come up upon the land of Egypt."

And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt.

Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, "Entreat the Lord, that He take away the frogs from me, and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they may sacrifice unto the Lord."

And Moses said unto Pharaoh, "When shall I entreat for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, that the frogs be destroyed from thee and thy houses, and remain in the river only?"

And he said, "To-morrow."

And he said, "Let it be according to thy word; that thou mayest know that there is none like unto the Lord our God. And the frogs shall depart from thee, and from thy houses, and from thy servants, and from thy people; they shall remain in the river only."

And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh; and Moses cried unto the Lord concerning the frogs, which he had brought unto Pharaoh. And the Lord did according to the word of Moses; and the frogs died out of the houses, out of the courts, and out of the fields. And they gathered them together in heaps.

But when Pharaoh saw that there was relief, he hardened his heart, and listened not unto them; as the Lord had spoken.

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Say unto Aaron, 'Stretch out thy rod, and smite the dust of

the earth, that it may become gnats throughout all the land of Egypt.' "

And they did so; and Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth, and there were gnats upon man, and upon beast; all the dust of the earth became gnats throughout all the land of Egypt. And Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he listened not unto them, as the Lord had spoken.

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh; lo, he cometh forth to the water; and say unto him, 'Thus saith the Lord: Let My people go, that they may serve Me. Else, if thou wilt not let My people go, behold, I will send swarms of flies upon thee, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thy houses; and the houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground whereon they are. And I will set apart in that day the land of Goshen, in which My people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there; to the end that thou mayest know that I am the Lord in the midst of the earth. And I will put a division between My people and thy people—by to-morrow shall this sign be.' "

And the Lord did so; and there came grievous swarms of flies into the house of Pharaoh, and into his servants' houses; and in all the land of Egypt

the land was ruined by reason of the swarms of flies.

And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, "Go ye, sacrifice to your God in the land."

And Moses said, "It is not meet so to do; for we shall be sacrificing the sacred animals of the Egyptians to the Lord our God. Lo, if we sacrifice the sacred animals of the Egyptians before their eyes, shall they not stone us? We will go three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to the Lord our God, as He shall command us."

And Pharaoh said, "I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to the Lord your God in the wilderness; only ye shall not go very far away. Entreat for me."

And Moses said, "Behold, I go out from thee, and I will entreat the Lord that the swarms of flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, to-morrow; only let not Pharaoh deal deceitfully any more in not letting the people go to sacrifice to the Lord."

And Moses went out from Pharaoh, and entreated the Lord. And the Lord did according to the word of Moses; and He removed the swarms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; there remained not one.

And Pharaoh hardened his heart this time also, and he did not let the people go.

Then the Lord said unto Moses, "Go in unto

Pharaoh, and tell him, 'Thus saith the Lord, the God of the Hebrews: Let My people go, that they may serve Me. For if thou refuse to let them go, and wilt still hold them, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon thy cattle which are in the field, upon the horses, upon the asses, upon the camels, upon the herds, and upon the flocks; there shall be a very severe cattle plague. And the Lord shall make a division between the cattle of Israel and the cattle of Egypt; and nothing shall die of all that belongeth to the children of Israel.' " And the Lord appointed a time, saying, "To-morrow the Lord shall do this thing in the land."

And the Lord did that thing on the morrow, and all the cattle of Egypt died; but of the cattle of the children of Israel not one died. And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, not so much as one of the cattle of the Israelites was dead. But the heart of Pharaoh was stubborn, and he did not let the people go.

And the Lord said unto Moses and unto Aaron, "Take to you handfuls of soot of the furnace, and let Moses throw it toward heaven in the sight of Pharaoh. And it shall become small dust over all the land of Egypt, and shall be a boil breaking forth upon man and upon beast, throughout all the land of Egypt.' "

And they took soot of the furnace, and stood

before Pharaoh; and Moses threw it up toward heaven; and it became a boil breaking forth upon man and upon beast.

And the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he listened not unto them; as the Lord had spoken unto Moses.

And the Lord said unto Moses: "Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, 'Thus saith the Lord, the God of the Hebrews: Let My people go, that they may serve Me. For I will this time send all My plagues upon thy person, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people; that thou mayest know that there is none like Me in all the earth.

"Surely now I should have put forth My hand, and smitten thee and thy people with plagues, and thou wouldst have been cut off from the earth. But in very deed for this cause have I kept thee alive, to show thee My power, and that My name may be declared throughout all the earth. As yet dost thou oppose thyself against My people, that thou wilt not let them go? Behold, tomorrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very severe hail, such as hath not been in Egypt since the day it was founded, even until now. Now therefore send, hurry in thy cattle and all that thou hast in the field; for every man and beast that shall be found in the field, and shall not be brought home, the hail

shall come down upon them, and they shall die.' "

He that feared the word of the Lord among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses. And he that regarded not the word of the Lord left his servants and his cattle in the field.

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Stretch forth thy hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt, upon man, and upon beast, and upon every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt."

And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven; and the Lord sent thunder and hail, and fire ran down toward the earth; and the Lord made it hail upon the land of Egypt.

So there was hail, and fire flashing up amidst the hail, very severe, such as had not been in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. And the hail destroyed throughout all the land of Egypt all that was in the field, both man and beast; and the hail destroyed every herb of the field, and broke every tree of the field. Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, was there no hail.

And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, "I have sinned this time; the Lord is righteous, and I and my people are wicked. Entreat the Lord, and let there be no more of these mighty thunderings and hail; and I

will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer."

And Moses said unto him, "As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will spread forth my hands unto the Lord; the thunders shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that thou mayest know that the earth belongs to the Lord. But as for thee and thy servants, I know that ye do not yet fear the Lord God."

And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread forth his hands unto the Lord; and the thunders and hail ceased, and the rain was not poured upon the earth.

And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he kept on sinning, and hardened his heart, both he and his servants.

And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the children of Israel go; as the Lord had spoken by Moses.

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Go in unto Pharaoh; for I have hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, that I might show these My signs in the midst of them; and that thou mayest tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son, what I have done unto Egypt, and My signs which I have performed among them; that ye may know that I am the Lord."

And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh,

and said unto him, "Thus saith the Lord, the God of the Hebrews: 'How long wilt thou refuse to humble thyself before Me? Let My people go, that they may serve Me. Else, if thou refuse to let My people go, behold, to-morrow will I bring locusts into thy border. And they shall cover the face of the earth, that one shall not be able to see the earth. And they shall eat that which remaineth unto you from the hail, and shall eat every tree which groweth for you out of the field. And thy houses shall be filled, and the houses of all thy servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians; as neither thy fathers nor thy fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they were upon the earth unto this day.' " And he turned and went out from Pharaoh.

And Pharaoh's servants said unto him, "How long shall this man be a snare unto us? Let the men go, that they may serve the Lord their God. Knowest thou not yet that Egypt is destroyed?"

And Moses and Aaron were brought again unto Pharaoh; and he said unto them, "Go, serve the Lord your God; but who are they that shall go?"

And Moses said, "We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds we will go; for we must hold a feast unto the Lord."

And he said unto them, "So be the Lord with you, as I will let you go, and your little ones. Not

so; go now, ye that are men, and serve the Lord; for that is what ye desire." And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.

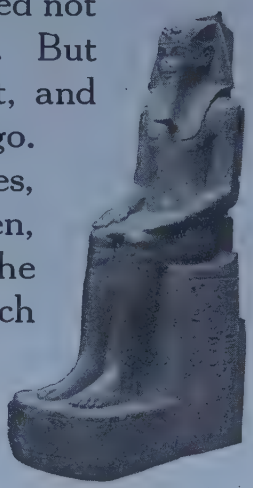
And the Lord said unto Moses, "Stretch out thy hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, even all that the hail hath left."

And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and the Lord brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all the night; and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts. And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt and rested in all the borders of Egypt; before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such. For they covered the face of the whole earth, so that the land was darkened; and they did eat every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left; and there remained not any green thing, either tre or herb of the field, through all the land of Egypt.

Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste, and he said, "I have sinned against the Lord your God, and against you. Now therefore forgive, I pray thee, my sin only this once, and entreat the Lord your God, that He may take away from me this death only."

And he went out from Pharaoh, and entreated the Lord. And the Lord turned an exceeding strong west wind, which took up the locusts, and drove them into the Red Sea; there remained not one locust in all the border of Egypt. But the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the children of Israel go.

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Stretch out thy hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness which may be felt."



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Statue of Merneptah

And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days. They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days. But all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.

And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and said, "Go ye, serve the Lord; only let your flocks and your herds be stayed; let your little ones also go with you."

And Moses said, "Thou must also give into our hand sacrifices and burnt-offerings, that we may sacrifice unto the Lord our God. Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not a hoof be left behind; for thereof must we take to serve the Lord

our God; and we know not with what we must serve the Lord, until we come thither."

But the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go. And Pharaoh said unto him, "Get thee from me, take heed to thyself, see my face no more; for in the day thou seest my face thou shalt die."

And Moses said, "Thou hast spoken well; I will see thy face again no more."

And Moses said, "Thus saith the Lord: 'About midnight will I go out into the midst of Egypt; and all the first-born in the land of Egypt shall die, from the first-born of Pharaoh that sitteth upon his throne, even unto the first-born of the maid-servant that is behind the mill; and all the first-born of cattle. And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there hath been none like it, nor shall be like it any more.

"But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog whet his tongue, against man or beast; that ye may know how that the Lord doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.'

"And all these thy servants shall come down unto me, and bow down unto me, saying, 'Get thee out, and all the people that follow thee;' and after that I will go out." And he went out from Pharaoh in hot anger.

Exodus, Chapters 7-11.

THE FIRST PASSOVER

AND the Lord spoke unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying: "This month shall be unto you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you. Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying: 'In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household; and if the household be too little for a lamb, then shall he and his neighbor next unto his house take one according to the number of the souls; according to every man's eating ye shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year; ye shall take it from the sheep, or from the goats; and ye shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month; and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at dusk. And they shall take of the blood, and put it on the two side-posts and on the lintel, upon the houses wherein they shall eat it. And they shall eat the flesh in

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that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; with bitter herbs they shall eat it.

" 'And thus shall ye eat it: with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste—it is the Lord's passover.

" 'For I will go through the land of Egypt in that night, and will smite all the first-born in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the Lord. And the blood shall be to you for a sign upon the houses where ye are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and there shall no plague be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

" 'And this day shall be unto you for a memorial, and ye shall keep it a feast to the Lord; throughout your generations ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance forever. Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; howbeit the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses; for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel. And in the first day there shall be to you a holy assembly, and in the seventh day a holy assembly; no manner of work shall be done in them, save that which every man must eat, that only may be done by you. And ye shall observe the feast of un-

leavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt; therefore shall ye observe this day throughout your generations by an ordinance for ever. In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at evening. Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses; for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel. Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your dwellings shall ye eat unleavened bread.' "

Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, "Draw out, and take you lambs according to your families, and kill the passover lamb. And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood, and strike the lintel and the two side-posts with the blood; and none of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning. For the Lord will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when He seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side-posts, the Lord will pass over the door, and will not permit the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you.

"And ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy sons for ever. And it shall come to pass, when ye come to the land which the Lord will give you, according as He hath promised,

that ye shall keep this service. And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, 'What mean ye by this service?' that ye shall say, 'It is the sacrifice of the Lord's passover, because He passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and saved our houses.' "

And the people bowed the head and worshipped. And the children of Israel went and did so; as the Lord had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

And it came to pass at midnight, that the Lord smote all the first-born in the land of Egypt, from the first-born of Pharaoh that sat on his throne, unto the first-born of the captive that was in the prison; and all the first-born of cattle.

And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; for there was not a house where there was not one dead.

And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, "Rise up, get you forth from among my people, both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the Lord, as ye have said. Take both your flocks and your herds, as ye have said, and be gone; and bless me also."

And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people,

to send them out of the land in haste; for they said, "We are all dead men."

And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneading-troughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders. And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they asked of the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment. And the Lord gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they let them have what they asked. And they despoiled the Egyptians.

And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand men on foot, beside children. And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, even very much cattle. And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt, for it was not leavened; because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they prepared for themselves any provisions.

Now the time that the children of Israel dwelt in Egypt was four hundred and thirty years. And it came to pass at the end of four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the Lord went out from the land of Egypt. It was a night of watching unto the Lord for bringing them out from the the land of Egypt; this same night is a night of watching unto the Lord

for all the children of Israel throughout their generations.

—Exodus, Chapter 12.

AT THE RED SEA

AND it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that God led them not by the way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near; for God said, "Lest the people repent when they see war, and they return to Egypt." But God led the people about, by the way of the wilderness by the Red Sea; and the children of Israel went up armed out of the land of Egypt.

And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him; for he had sworn the children of Israel, saying, "God will surely remember you; and ye shall carry up my bones away hence with you."

And they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of the wilderness. And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; that they might go by day and by night; the pillar of cloud by day, and the pillar of fire by night, departed not from before the people.

And it was told the king of Egypt that the people were fled; and the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was turned towards the people, and they said, "What is this we have done, that we have let Israel go from serving us?"

And he made ready his chariots, and took his people with him. And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt, and captains over all of them. And the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued after the children of Israel; for the children of Israel went out with a high hand. And the Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses and chariots of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and overtook them encamping by the sea.

And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians were marching after them; and they were sore afraid; and the children of Israel cried out unto the Lord. And they said unto Moses, "Because there were no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? Wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to bring us forth out of Egypt? Is not this the word that we spoke unto thee in Egypt, saying, 'Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians?' For it were better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness."

And Moses said unto the people, "Fear ye not, stand still, and see the deliverance of the Lord, which He will work for you to-day; for whereas ye have seen the Egyptians to-day, ye shall see them again no more for ever. The Lord will fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace."

And the pillar of cloud removed from before them and stood behind them; and it came between the camp of Egypt and the camp of Israel; and there was the cloud and the darkness here, yet gave it light by night there; and the one came not near the other all the night.

And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the Lord caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all the night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground; and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. And it came to pass in the morning, that the Lord looked forth upon the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of cloud. And He took off their chariot wheels, and made them to drive heavily; so that the Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the face of Israel; for the Lord fighteth for them against the

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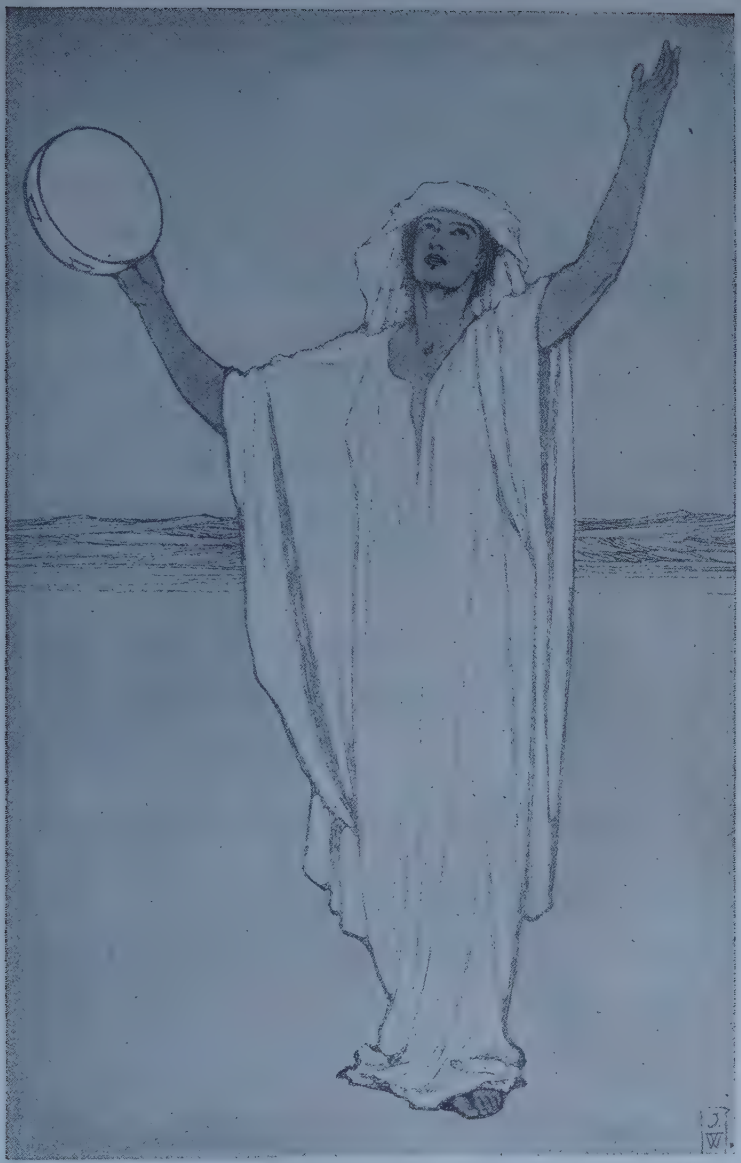
Egyptians."

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Stretch out thy hand over the sea, that the waters may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen." And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and the Lord overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea. And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the horsemen, even all the host of Pharaoh that went in after them into the sea; there remained not so much as one of them.

But the children of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of the sea; and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea-shore. And Israel saw the great work which the Lord did upon the Egyptians, and the people feared the Lord; and they believed in the Lord, and in His servant Moses.

Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the Lord:

I will sing unto the Lord, for He is highly exalted;
The horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea.
The Lord is my strength and song,



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And He is become my salvation;
This is my God, and I will glorify Him;
My father's God, and I will exalt Him.
The Lord is a man of war.
The Lord is His name.
Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath He cast into the sea,
And his chosen captains are sunk in the Red Sea.
The deeps cover them—
They went down into the depths like a stone.

Thy right hand, O Lord, glorious in power,
Thy right hand, O Lord, dasheth in pieces the enemy.
And in the greatness of Thine excellency Thou overthrowest them that rise up against thee;
Thou sendest forth Thy wrath, it consumeth them as stubble.
And with the blast of Thy nostrils the waters were piled up—
The floods stood upright as a heap;
The deeps were congealed in the heart of the sea.

The enemy said:

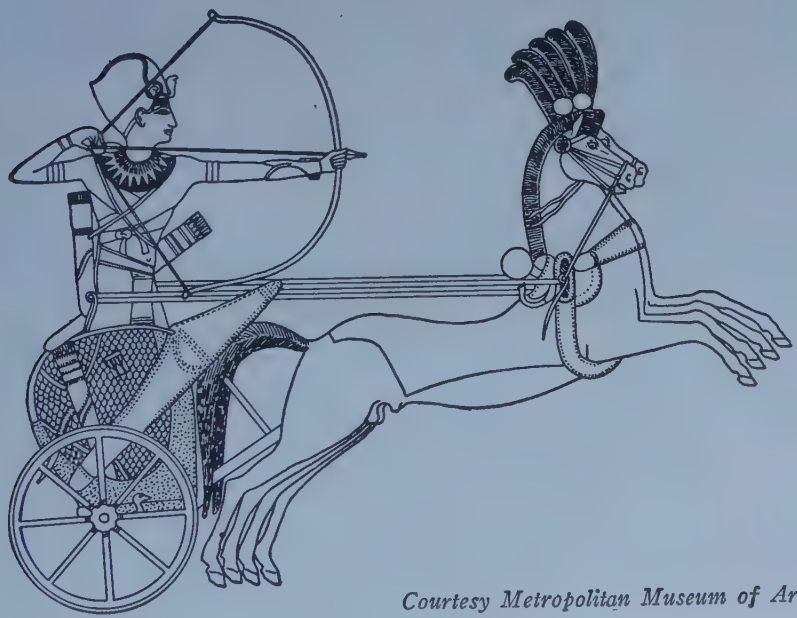
"I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil;
My lust shall be satisfied upon them;
I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them."
Thou didst blow with Thy wind, the sea covered them;

They sank as lead in the mighty waters.
Who is like unto Thee, O Lord, among the mighty?
Who is like unto Thee, glorious in holiness,
Fearful in praises, doing wonders?
Th Lord shall reign forever and ever.

And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances. And Miriam sang unto them:

"Sing ye to the Lord, for He is highly exalted:
The horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea."

—Exodus, Chapters 13, 14, 15.



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War Chariot.

GOD PREPARES A TABLE IN THE WILDERNESS

AND Moses led Israel onward from the Red Sea, and they went out into the wilderness of Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness, and found no water. And when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah, for they were bitter. Therefore the name of it was called Marah.[1]

And the people murmured against Moses, saying, "What shall we drink?"

And he cried unto the Lord; and the Lord showed him a tree, and he cast it into the waters, and the waters were made sweet.

And they came to Elim, where were twelve springs of water, and three score and ten palm-trees; and they encamped there by the waters.

And they took their journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Israel came unto the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and

(1) *Marah* is a Hebrew word which means *Bitterness.*

Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departing out of the land of Egypt.

And the whole congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron in the wilderness; and the children of Israel said unto them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh-pots, when we did eat bread to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then said the Lord unto Moses, "Behold, I will cause to rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law, or not. And it shall come to pass on the sixth day that they shall prepare that which they bring in, and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily."

And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, "At even, then ye shall know that the Lord hath brought you out from the land of Egypt; and in the morning, then ye shall see the glory of the Lord; for that He hath heard your murmurings against the Lord; and what are we, that ye murmur against us?" And Moses said, "This shall be, when the Lord shall give you in the evening flesh to eat, and in the morning bread to the full; for that the Lord heareth your murmurings which ye murmur

against Him; and what are we? Your murmurings are not against us, but against the Lord."

And Moses said unto Aaron, "Say unto all the congregation of the children of Israel: 'Come near before the Lord; for He hath heard your murmurings.' " And it came to pass, as Aaron spoke unto the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold, the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud.

And the Lord spoke unto Moses, saying, "I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel. Speak unto them, saying, 'At dusk ye shall eat flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread; and ye shall know that I am the Lord your God.' "

And it came to pass at evening, that the quails came up, and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew round about the camp. And when the layer of dew had gone, behold there lay upon the face of the wilderness a fine, scale-like thing, fine as the hoar-frost on the ground. And when the children of Israel saw it, they said one to another, "What is it?"[1]—for they knew not what it was.

And Moses said unto them, "It is the bread which the Lord hath given you to eat. This is the thing which the Lord hath commanded: 'Gather ye of it every man according to his eating; an omer a

(1) In Hebrew, "*Man hu?*"

head, according to the number of your persons, shall ye take it, every man for them that are in his tent.' "

And the children of Israel did so, and gathered some more, some less. And when they did measure it with an omer, he that gathered much had nothing over, and he that gathered little lacked nothing; they gathered every man according to his eating.

And Moses said unto them, "Let no man leave of it till the morning." Notwithstanding they listened not unto Moses; but some of them left of it until the morning, and it bred worms, and rotted; and Moses was angry with them. And they gathered it morning by morning, every man according to his eating. And as the sun waxed hot, it melted.

And it came to pass that on the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for each one; and all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses. And he said unto them, "This is that which the Lord hath spoken: 'To-morrow is a solemn rest, a holy sabbath unto the Lord. Bake that which ye will bake, and boil that which ye will boil, and all that remaineth over, lay up for you to be kept until the morning.' "

And they laid it up till the morning, as Moses commanded; and it did not rot, neither was there any worm therein. And Moses said, "Eat that to-day; for to-day is a sabbath unto the Lord; to-day

ye shall not find it in the field. Six days ye shall gather it; but on the seventh day is the sabbath; in it there shall be none."

And it came to pass on the seventh day, that there went out some of the people to gather, and they found none. And the Lord said unto Moses, "How long refuse ye to keep My commandments and My laws? See that the Lord hath given you the sabbath; therefore He giveth you on the sixth day the bread of two days; abide ye every man in his place, let no man go out of his place on the seventh day." So the people rested on the seventh day.

And the house of Israel called the name thereof Manna. And it was like coriander seed, white; and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey.

And Moses said, "This is the thing which the Lord hath commanded: 'Let an omerful of it be kept throughout your generations; that they may see the bread wherewith I fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you forth from the land of Egypt.' " And Moses said unto Aaron, "Take a jar, and put an omerful of manna therein, and lay it up before the Lord, to be kept throughout your generations." As the Lord commanded Moses, so Aaron laid it up to be kept.

And the children of Israel did eat the manna forty years, until they came to a land inhabited; they

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And thou shalt smite the rock, and there shall come water out of it, that the people may drink.

did eat the manna, until they came unto the borders of the land of Canaan.

And all the congregation of the children of Israel journeyed from the wilderness of Sin, by their stages, according to the commandment of the Lord, and encamped in Rephidim, and there was no water for the people to drink. Wherefore the people strove with Moses, and said, "Give us water that we may drink."

And Moses said unto them, "Why strive ye with me? Wherefore do ye try the Lord?"

And the people thirsted there for water; and the people murmured against Moses, and said, "Wherefore hast thou brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our cattle with thirst?"

And Moses cried unto the Lord, saying, "What shall I do unto this people? They are almost ready to stone me."

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Pass on before the people, and take with thee of the elders of Israel; and thy rod, wherewith thou smotest the river, take in thy hand, and go. Behold, I will stand before thee there upon the rock of Horeb; and thou shalt smite the rock, and there shall come water out of it, that the people may drink."

And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel. And the name of the place was called

Massah,[1] and Meribah,[2] because of the striving of the children of Israel, and because they tried the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us, or not?"

—Exodus, Chapters 15, 16, 17.

(1) *Massah* means *Trying.*
(2) *Meribah* means *Strife.*

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And Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands. And his hands were steady until the going down of the sun.

THE FIGHT WITH AMALEK

THEN came Amalek, and fought with Israel in Rephidim.

And Moses said unto Joshua, "Choose us men, and go out, fight with Amalek; to-morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in my hand."

So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek; and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed; and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed.

But Moses' hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. And Joshua defeated Amalek and his people.

—Exodus, Chapter 17.

THE COUNSEL OF JETHRO

NOW Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses' father-in-law, heard of all that God had done for Moses, and for Israel His people, how that the Lord had brought Israel out of Egypt. And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, took Zipporah, Moses' wife, and her two sons; of whom the name of the one was Gershom[1]; for he said, "I have been a stranger in a strange land;" and the name of the other was Eliezer[2]: "For the God of my father was my help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh." And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, came with his sons and his wife unto Moses into the wilderness where he was encamped, at the mount of God; and he said unto Moses, "I thy father-in-law Jethro am coming unto thee, and thy wife, and her two sons with her."

And Moses went out to meet his father-in-law, and bowed down and kissed him; and they asked each other of their welfare; and they came into the

(1) *Ger* means *Stranger.*
(2) *El* means *God; Ezer* means *Help.*

tent. And Moses told his father-in-law all that the Lord had done unto Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's sake, and how the Lord delivered them.

And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which the Lord had done to Israel, in that he had delivered them out of the hand of the Egyptians. And Jethro said, "Blessed be the Lord, who hath delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh; who hath delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians. Now I know that the Lord is greater than all gods." And Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, took a burnt-offering and sacrifices for God; and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses' father-in-law before God.

And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses sat to judge the people; and the people stood about Moses from the morning unto the evening. And when Moses' father-in-law saw all that he did to the people, he said, "What is this thing that thou doest to the people? Why sittest thou thyself alone, and all the people stand about thee from morning unto even?"

And Moses said unto his father-in-law, "Because the people come unto me to inquire of God; when they have a matter, it cometh unto me; and I judge between a man and his neighbor, and I make them know the statutes of God, and His laws."

And Moses father-in-law said unto him, "The thing that thou doest is not good. Thou wilt surely wear away, both thou, and this people that is with thee; for the thing is too hard for thee; thou art not able to perform it thyself alone. Listen now unto my voice, I will give thee counsel, and God be with thee: be thou for the people before God, and bring thou the causes unto God. And thou shalt teach them the statutes and the laws, and shalt show them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do. Moreover, out of all the people, thou shalt provide able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating unjust gain; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens. And let them judge the people at all seasons; and it shall be, that every great matter they shall bring unto thee, but every small matter they shall judge themselves; so shall they make it easier for thee and bear the burden with thee. If thou shalt do this thing, and God command thee so, then thou shalt be able to endure, and all this people also shall go to their place in peace."

So Moses listened to the voice of his father-in-law, and did all that he had said. And Moses chose able men out of all Israel, and made them heads over the people, rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens. And they

judged the people at all seasons: the hard causes they brought unto Moses, but every small matter they judged themselves.

And Moses let his father-in-law depart; and he went his way into his own land.

—Exodus, Chapter 18.

A KINGDOM OF PRIESTS AND A HOLY NATION

IN the third month after the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai. And when they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the wilderness of Sinai, they encamped in the wilderness; and there Israel encamped before the mount.

And Moses went up unto God, and the Lord called unto him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel: 'Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto Myself. Now therefore, if ye will hearken unto My voice indeed, and keep My covenant, then ye shall be Mine own treasure from among all peoples; for all the earth is Mine; and ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation.' These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel."

And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and set before them all these words which the Lord commanded him. And all the people answered together, and said, "All that the Lord hath spoken we will do." And Moses reported the words of the people unto the Lord.

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with thee, and may also believe thee for ever."

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Go unto the people, and sanctify them to-day and to-morrow, and let them wash their garments, and be ready against the third day."

And Moses went down from the mount unto the people, and sanctified the people; and they washed their garments. And he said unto the people, "Be ready against the third day."

And it came to pass on the third day, when it was morning, that there were thunders and lightnings and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of a very loud horn; and all the people that were in the camp trembled. And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet God; and they stood at the lower part of the mount. Now Mount Sinai was altogether on smoke, because the Lord came down upon it in fire; and the smoke thereof went up as the smoke of a furnace, and the

whole mount quaked greatly. And when the voice of the horn waxed louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him by a voice.

And God spoke all these words, saying:

I. I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

II. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me. Thou shalt not make unto thee a graven image, nor any manner of likeness, of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down unto them, nor serve them; for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me; and showing mercy unto the thousandth generation of them that love Me and keep My commandments.

III. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

IV. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is a sabbath unto the Lord thy God; in it thou shalt not do any manner of work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them

is, and rested on the seventh day; wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

V. Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

VI. Thou shalt not murder.

VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

VIII. Thou shalt not steal.

IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house; thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his man-servant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's.

And all the people perceived the thunderings, and the lightnings, and the voice of the horn, and the mountain smoking; and when the people saw it, they trembled, and stood afar off.

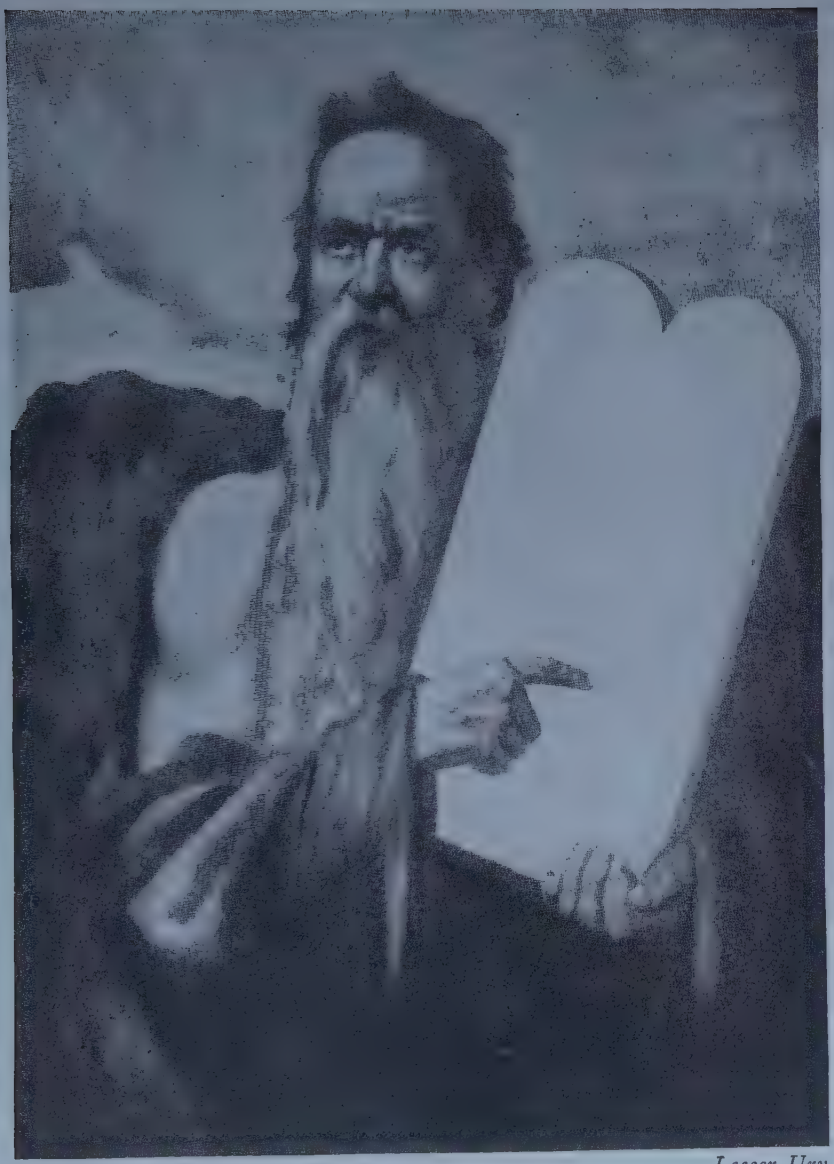
—Exodus, Chapter 20.

SOME OF THE LAWS WHICH GOD GAVE ISRAEL

NOW these are the laws which thou shalt set before them. A stranger shalt thou not wrong, neither shalt thou oppress him; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

Ye shall not wrong any widow, or fatherless child. If thou wrong them in any way—for if they cry at all to Me, I will surely hear their cry—My wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless.

If thou lend money to any of My people, even to the poor with thee, thou shalt not be to him as a creditor; neither shall ye lay upon him interest. If thou at all take thy neighbor's garment to pledge, thou shalt restore it unto him by that the sun goeth down; for that is his only covering, it is his garment for his skin; wherein shall he sleep? And it shall come to pass, when he crieth unto Me, that I will hear; for I am gracious.



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And Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord, and all the ordinances.

If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again.

If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under its burden, thou shalt forbear to pass by him; thou shalt surely release it with him.

Thou shalt not utter a false report; put not thy hand with the wicked to be an unrighteous witness. Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou bear witness in a cause to turn aside after a multitude to pervert justice; neither shalt thou favor a poor man in his cause.

Thou shalt not decide unfairly the judgment of thy poor in his cause.

Keep thee far from a false matter; and the innocent and righteous slay thou not; for I will not justify the wicked. And thou shalt take no gift; for a gift blindeth them that have sight, and perverteth the words of the righteous. And a stranger shalt thou not oppress; for ye know the heart of a stranger, seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

And Moses came and told the people all the words of the Lord, and all the laws; and all the people answered with one voice, and said, "All the words which the Lord hath spoken will we do."

—Exodus, Chapters 22, 23.

THE GOLDEN CALF

AND the Lord said unto Moses, "Come up to Me into the mount, and be there; and I will give thee the tables of stone, and the law and the commandment, which I have written, that thou mayest teach them."

And Moses rose up, and Joshua his minister; and Moses went up into the mount of God. And unto the elders he said, "Tarry ye here for us, until we come back unto you; and, behold, Aaron and Hur are with you; whosoever hath a quarrel let him come near unto them."

And Moses went up into the mount, and the cloud covered the mount. And the glory of the Lord abode upon Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days; and the seventh day He called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud. And the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel. And Moses entered into the midst of the cloud, and went up into the mount; and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.

And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mount, the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, "Come, make us a god who shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we know not what is become of him."

And Aaron said unto them, "Break off the golden rings, which are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring them unto me."

And all the people broke off the golden rings which were in their ears, and brought them unto Aaron. And he received it at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, and made it a molten calf. And they said, "This is thy god, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt."

And when Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and said, "To-morrow shall be a feast to the Lord."

And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt-offerings, and brought peace-offerings; and the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to make merry.

And the Lord spoke unto Moses, "Go, get thee down; for thy people, that thou broughtest up out of the land of Egypt, have dealt wickedly. They

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They have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it.

have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them; they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed unto it, and said, 'This is thy god, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.' " And the Lord said unto Moses, "I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiff-necked people. Now therefore let Me alone, that My wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them; and I will make of thee a great nation."

And Moses besought the Lord his God, and said, "Lord, why doth Thy wrath wax hot against Thy people, that Thou hast brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Wherefore should the Egyptians speak, saying, 'For evil did He bring them forth, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth?' Turn from Thy fierce wrath, and repent of this evil against Thy people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, Thy servants, to whom Thou didst swear by Thine own self, and saidst unto them, "I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit it for ever.' "

And the Lord repented of the evil which He said He would do unto His people.

And Moses turned, and went down from the

mount, with the two tables of the testimony in his hand; tables that were written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other were they written. And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tables.

And when Joshua heard the voice of the people as they shouted, he said unto Moses, "There is a noise of war in the camp."

And he said, "It is not the cry of them that shout for mastery, neither is it the voice of them that cry for being overcome, but the noise of them that sing do I hear."

And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf and the dancing; and Moses' anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and broke them beneath the mount. And he took the calf which they had made, and burnt it with fire, and ground it to powder, and strewed it upon the water, and made the children of Israel drink of it.

And Moses said unto Aaron, "What did this people unto thee, that thou hast brought a great sin upon them?"

And Aaron said, "Let not the anger of my lord wax hot; thou knowest the people, that they are set on evil. So they said unto me, "Make us a god, which shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the

man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we know not what is become of him.' And I said unto them, "Whosoever hath any gold, let them break it off.' So they gave it me; and I cast it into the fire, and there came out this calf."

And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said unto the people, "Ye have sinned a great sin; and now I will go up unto the Lord; peradventure I shall make atonement for your sin."

And Moses returned unto the Lord, and said, "Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them a god of gold. Yet now, if Thou wilt forgive their sin—; and if not, blot me, I pray Thee, out of Thy book which Thou hast written."

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Whosoever hath sinned against Me, him will I blot out of My book. And now go, lead the people unto the place of which I have spoken unto thee; behold, Mine angel shall go before thee. Nevertheless in the day when I visit, I will visit their sin upon them."

—Exodus, Chapters 24, 32.

THE LORD MERCIFUL AND GRACIOUS

AND Moses said unto the Lord, "See, Thou sayest unto me, 'Bring up this people;' and Thou hast not let me know whom Thou wilt send with me. Yet Thou hast said, 'I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in My sight.' Now therefore, I pray Thee, if I have found grace in Thy sight, show me now Thy ways, that I may know Thee, to the end that I may find grace in Thy sight; and consider that this nation is Thy people."

And He said, "My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest."

And he said unto Him, "If Thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence. For wherein now shall it be known that I have found grace in Thy sight, I and Thy people? Is it not in that Thou goest with us, so that we are distinguished, I and Thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth?"

And the Lord said unto Moses, "I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken, for thou hast found grace in My sight, and I know thee by name."

And he said, "Show me, I pray Thee, Thy glory."

And He said, "I will make all My goodness pass before thee, and will proclaim the name of the Lord before thee; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy." And He said, "Thou canst not see My face, for man shall not see Me and live." And the Lord said, "Behold, there is a place by Me, and thou shalt stand upon the rock. And it shall come to pass, while My glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a cleft of the rock, and will cover thee with My hand until I have passed by. And I will take away My hand, and thou shalt see My back; but My face shall not be seen."

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first; and I will write upon the tables the words that were on the first tables, which thou didst break. And be ready by the morning, and come up in the morning unto Mount Sinai, and present thyself there to Me on the top of the mount. And no man shall come up with thee, neither let any man be seen throughout all the mount; neither let the flocks nor herds feed before that mount."

And he hewed two tables of stone like unto the first; and Moses rose up early in the morning, and went up unto Mount Sinai, as the Lord had com-

manded him, and took in his hand two tables of stone.

And the Lord came down in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the Lord. And the Lord passed by before him, and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord, God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth; keeping mercy unto the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin; and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and unto the fourth generation."

And Moses made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth, and worshipped.

And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten words.

And it came to pass, when Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tables of the testimony in Moses' hand, when he came down from the mount, that Moses knew not that the skin of his face sent forth beams while He talked with him.

And when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face sent forth beams; and they were afraid to come nigh him. And Moses called unto them; and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned unto him; and Moses spoke to them.

And afterward all the children of Israel came nigh, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. And when Moses had done speaking with them, he put a veil on his face. But when Moses went in before the Lord that He might speak with him, he took the veil off, until he came out; and he came out, and spoke unto the children of Israel that which he was commanded. And the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face sent forth beams; and Moses put the veil back upon his face, until he went in to speak with Him.

—Exodus, Chapters 33, 34.

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And Moses gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him in Mount Sinai.

THE TABERNACLE

"Let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them."—Exodus 25.

AND Moses spoke unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying:

"This is the thing which the Lord commanded, saying: 'Take ye from among you an offering unto the Lord, whosoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it, the Lord's offering: gold, and silver, and brass; and blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' hair; and rams' skins dyed red, and sealskins, and acacia-wood; and oil for the light, and spices for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense; and onyx stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate.

" 'And let every wise-hearted man among you come, and make all that the Lord hath commanded: the tabernacle, its tent, and its covering, its clasps, and its boards, its bars, its pillars, and its sockets; the ark, and the staves thereof, the ark-cover, and the veil of the screen; the table, and its staves, and all its vessels, and the show-bread; the candlestick

also for the light, and its vessels, and its lamps, and the oil for the light; and the altar of incense, and its staves, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the screen for the door, at the door of the tabernacle; the altar of burnt-offering, with its grating of brass, its staves, and all its vessels, the laver and its base; the hangings of the court, the pillars thereof, and their sockets, and the screen for the gate of the court; the pins of the tabernacle, and the pins of the court, and their cords; the plaited garments, for ministering in the holy place, the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office.' "

The Golden Candlestick

And all the congregation of the children of Israel departed from the presence of Moses. And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and brought the Lord's offering,

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for the work of the tent of meeting, and for all the service thereof, and for the holy garments. And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing-hearted, and brought nose-rings, and ear-rings, and signet-rings, and girdles, all jewels of gold; even every man that brought an offering of gold unto the Lord. And every man, with whom was found blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' hair, and rams' skins dyed red, and sealskins, brought them. Every one that did set apart an offering of silver and brass brought the Lord's offering; and every man, with whom was found acacia-wood for any work of the service, brought it.

The Breast-plate

And all the women that were wise-hearted did spin with their hands, and brought that which they had spun, the blue, and the purple, the scarlet, and the fine linen. And all the women whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun the goats' hair.

And the rulers brought the onyx stones, and the stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breast-plate; and the spice, and the oil, for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense.

The children of Israel brought a freewill-offer-

ing unto the Lord; every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all the work, which the Lord had commanded by the hand of Moses to be made.

And Moses said unto the children of Israel, "See, the Lord hath called by name Bezalel of the tribe of Judah. And He hath filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship; and to devise skilful works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, and in cutting of stones for setting, and in carving of wood, to work in all manner of skilful workmanship. And He hath put in his heart that he may teach, both he, and Oholiab of the tribe of Dan. Them hath He filled with wisdom of heart, to work all manner of workmanship, of the craftsman, and of the skilful workman, and of the weaver in colors, in blue, and in purple, in scarlet, and in fine linen, and of the weaver, even of them that do any workmanship, and of those that devise skilful works. And Bezalel and Oholiab shall work, and every wise-hearted man, in whom the Lord hath put wisdom and understanding to know how to work all the work for the service of the sanctuary, according to all that the Lord hath commanded."

And Moses called Bezalel and Oholiab, and every wise-hearted man, in whose heart the Lord had put wisdom, even every one whose heart stirred

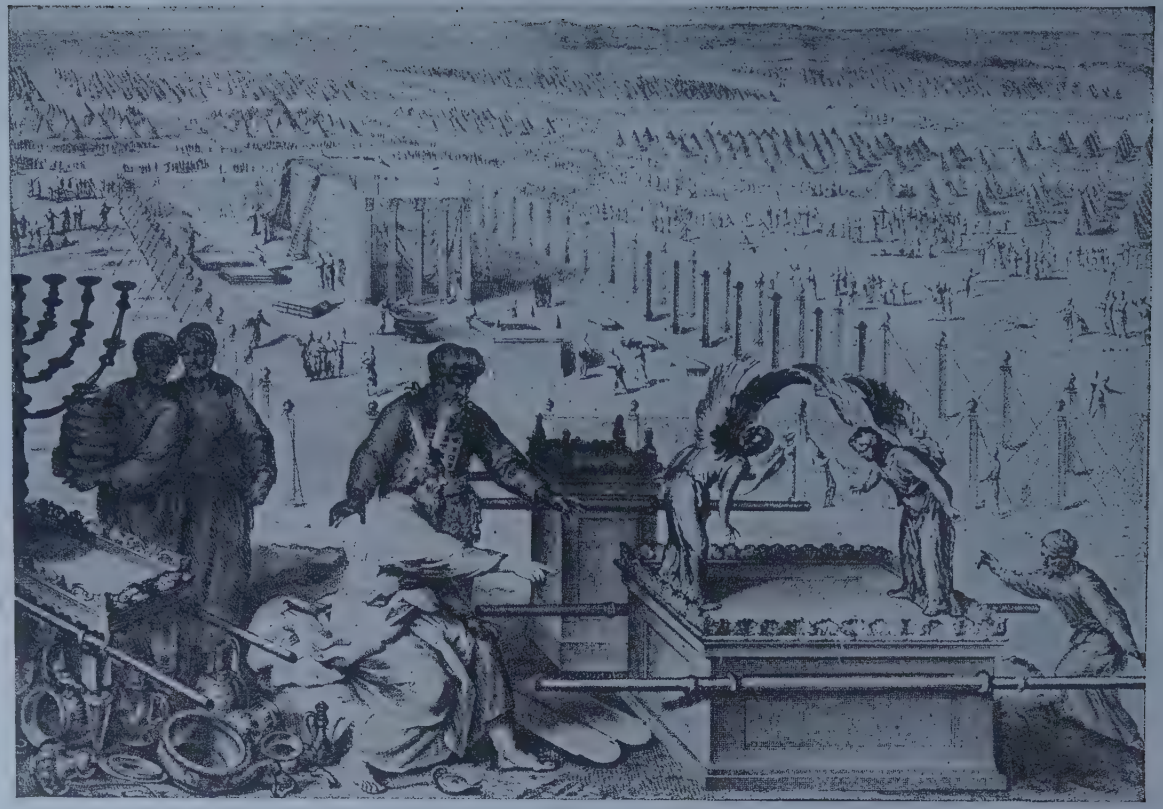
him up to come unto the work to do it. And they received of Moses all the offering, which the children of Israel had brought for the work of the service of the sanctuary, wherewith to make it. And they brought yet unto him freewill-offerings every morning. And all the wise men, that wrought all the work of the sanctuary, came every man from his work which they wrought.

And they spoke unto Moses, saying, "The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work, which the Lord commanded to make."

And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, "Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the sanctuary." So the people were restrained from bringing. For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much.

According to all that the Lord commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did all the work. And Moses saw all the work, and, behold, they had done it; as the Lord had commanded, even so had they done it. And Moses blessed them.

—Exodus, Chapters 35, 36, 39.



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And Moses saw all the work, and, behold, they had done it, as the Lord had commanded, even so they had done it.

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THOU SHALT LOVE THY NEIGHBOR AS THYSELF

AND the Lord spoke unto Moses, saying: Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them:

Ye shall be holy; for I the Lord your God am holy. Ye shall fear every man his mother, and his father, and ye shall keep My sabbaths: I am the Lord your God. Turn ye not unto the idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I am the Lord your God.

And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corner of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleaning of thy harvest. And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather the fallen fruit of thy vineyard; thou shalt leave them for the poor and for the stranger: I am the Lord your God.

Ye shall not steal; neither shall ye deal falsely, nor lie one to another. And ye shall not swear by My name falsely, so that thou profane the name of thy God: I am the Lord.

Thou shalt not oppress thy neighbor, nor rob him; the wages of a hired servant shall not abide with thee all night until the morning. Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumbling-block before the blind, but thou shalt fear thy God: I am the Lord.

Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment; thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor favor the person of the mighty; but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbor. Thou shalt not go up and down as a tale-bearer among thy people; neither shalt thou stand idly by the blood of thy neighbor: I am the Lord.

Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thy heart; thou shalt surely rebuke thy neighbor, and not bear sin because of him. Thou shalt not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself: I am the Lord.

Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honor the face of the old man, and thou shalt fear thy God: I am the Lord.

And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, ye shall not do him wrong. The stranger that sojourneth with you shall be unto you as the home-born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.

Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in meteyard, in weight, or in measure. Just balances, just weights, a just ephah,[1] and a just hin,[2] shall ye have: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt.

And ye shall observe all My statutes, and all Mine ordinances, and do them: I am the Lord.

—Leviticus, Chapter 19.

(1) *Ephah:* Grain measure.
(2) *Hin:* Liquid measure.

THE APPOINTED SEASONS OF THE LORD

AND the Lord spoke unto Moses, saying: Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them:

The appointed seasons of the Lord, which ye shall proclaim to be holy assemblies, even these are My appointed seasons. Six days shall work be done; but on the seventh day is a sabbath of solemn rest, a holy assembly; ye shall do no manner of work; it is a sabbath unto the Lord in all your dwellings.

These are the appointed seasons of the Lord, even holy assemblies, which ye shall proclaim in their appointed season. In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at dusk, is the Lord's passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the Lord; seven days ye shall eat unleavened bread. In the first day ye shall have a holy assembly; ye shall do no manner of servile work. And ye shall bring an offering made by fire unto the Lord seven days. In the seventh day is a holy assembly; ye shall do no manner of servile work.

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On the fifteenth day of the month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the Lord.

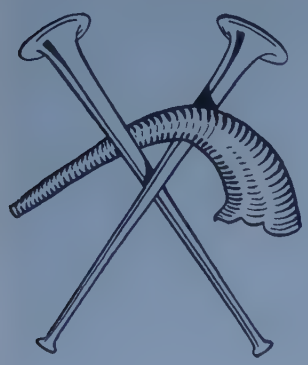
When ye are come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring the sheaf of the first-fruits of your harvest unto the priest. And he shall wave the sheaf before the Lord, to be accepted for you; on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it. And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor fresh ears, until this selfsame day, until ye have brought the offering of your God; it is a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the day of rest, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the waving; seven weeks shall there be complete; even unto the morrow after the seventh week shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall present a new meal-offering unto the Lord. And ye shall make proclamation on the selfsame day; there shall be a holy convocation unto you; ye shall do no manner of servile work; it is a statute for ever in all your dwellings throughout your generations.

And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corner of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleaning of thy harvest; thou shalt leave them for the poor, and for the stranger: I am the Lord your God.

In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall be a solemn rest unto you, a memorial

proclaimed with the blast of horns, a holy gathering. Ye shall do no manner of servile work; and ye shall bring an offering made by fire unto the Lord.



On the tenth day of this seventh month is the day of atonement; there shall be a holy convocation unto you, and ye shall afflict your souls; and ye shall bring an offering made by fire unto the Lord. And ye shall do no manner of work in that same day; for it is a day of atonement, to make atonement for you before the Lord your God. For whatsoever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from his people. And whatsoever soul it be that doeth any manner of work in that same day, that soul will I destroy from among his people. Ye shall do no manner of work; it is a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. It shall be unto you a sabbath of solemn rest, and ye shall afflict your souls; in the ninth day of the month at even, from even unto even, shall ye keep your sabbath.

On the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when

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Ye shall dwell in booths seven days.

ye have gathered in the fruits of the land, ye shall keep the feast of the Lord seven days. On the first day shall be a solemn rest, and on the eighth day shall be a solemn rest. And ye shall take you on the first day the fruit of goodly trees, branches of palm-trees, and boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook, and ye shall rejoice before the Lord your God seven days. And ye shall keep it a feast unto the Lord seven days in the year; it is a statute for ever in your generations; ye shall keep it in the seventh month. Ye shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are home-born in Israel shall dwell in booths; that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.

And Moses declared unto the children of Israel the appointed seasons of the Lord.

—Leviticus, Chapter 23.

THE YEAR OF JUBILEE

AND the Lord spoke unto Moses in Mount Sinai, saying: Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them:

When ye come into the land which I give you, then shall the land keep a sabbath unto the Lord. Six years thou shalt sow thy field, and six years thou shalt prune thy vineyard, and gather in the produce thereof. But in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of solemn rest for the land, a sabbath unto the Lord; thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard. That which groweth of itself of thy harvest thou shalt not reap, and the grapes of thy undressed vine thou shalt not gather; it shall be a year of sabbath rest for the land.

And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years; and there shall be unto thee the days of seven sabbaths of years, even forty and nine years. Then shalt thou make proclamation with the blast of the horn on the tenth day of the seventh month; in the day of atonement shall ye make proclamation with the horn through-

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And ye shall return every man unto his family.

out all your land. And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout the land unto all the inhabitants thereof; it shall be a jubilee unto you; and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family.

A jubilee shall that fiftieth year be unto you; ye shall not sow, neither reap that which groweth of itself in it, nor gather the grapes in it of the undressed vines. For it is a jubilee; it shall be holy unto you.

—Leviticus, Chapter 25.

Numbers

THE MURMURING OF THE PEOPLE

AND the mixed multitude that was among them fell alusting; and the children of Israel also wept on their part, and said, "Would that we were given flesh to eat! We remember the fish, which we were wont to eat in Egypt for nought; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlic; but now our soul is dried away; there is nothing at all; we have nought save this manna to look to."

And Moses heard the people weeping, family by family, every man at the door of his tent. And the anger of the Lord was kindled greatly; and Moses was displeased.

And Moses said unto the Lord, "Why hast thou dealt ill with Thy servant? And why have I not found favor in Thy sight, that Thou layest the burden of all this people upon me? Whence should I have flesh to give unto all this people? For they trouble me with their weeping, saying, 'Give us flesh, that we may eat.' I am not able to bear all this people myself alone, because it is too

hard for me. And if Thou deal thus with me, kill me, I pray Thee, out of hand, if I have found favor in Thy sight; and let me not look upon my wretchedness."

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Gather unto Me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom thou knowest to be the elders of the people, and officers over them; and bring them unto the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with thee. And I will come down and speak with thee there; and I will take of the spirit which is upon thee, and will put it upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with thee, that thou bear it not thyself alone. And say thou unto the people: Make yourselves holy against to-morrow, and ye shall eat flesh; for ye have wept in the ears of the Lord, saying: Would that we were given flesh to eat! for it was well with us in Egypt; therefore the Lord will give you flesh, and ye shall eat. Ye shall not eat one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days; but a whole month, until it come out at your nostrils, and it be hateful unto you; because that ye have rejected the Lord who is among you, and have troubled Him with weeping, saying: 'Why, now, came we forth out of Egypt?' "

And Moses said, "The people, among whom I am, are six hundred thousand men on foot; and yet Thou hast said, 'I will give them flesh, that they may

eat a whole month!' If flocks and herds be slain for them, will they suffice them? Or if all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, will they suffice them?"

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Is the Lord's hand waxed short? Now shalt thou see whether My word shall come to pass unto thee or not."

And Moses went out, and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them round about the Tent. And the Lord came down in the cloud, and spoke unto him, and took of the spirit that was upon him, and put it upon the seventy elders; and it came to pass, that, when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, but they did so no more.

But there remained two men in the camp, the name of the one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad; and the spirit rested upon them; and they were of them that were recorded, but had not gone out unto the tent; and they prophesied in the camp."

And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp."

And Joshua, the son of Nun, the minister of Moses from his youth up, answered and said, "My lord Moses, shut them in."

And Moses said unto him, "Art thou jealous for

my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, that the Lord would put His spirit upon them!" And Moses withdrew into the camp, he and the elders of Israel.

And there went forth a wind from the Lord, and brought quails across from the sea, and let them fall by the camp, about a day's journey on this side, and a day's journey on the other side, round about the camp, and about two cubits above the face of the earth.

And the people rose up all that day, and all the night, and all the next day, and gathered the quails; he that gathered least, gathered ten heaps; and they spread them all abroad for themselves round about the camp.

While the flesh was yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the anger of the Lord was kindled against the people, and the Lord smote the people with a very great plague. And the name of that place was called Kibroth-hattaavah,[1] because there they buried the people that lusted.

—Numbers, Chapter 11.

(1) *Kibroth-hattaavah* means *The Graves of Lust.*

THE TWELVE SPIES

AND the Lord spoke unto Moses, saying: "Send thou men, that they may spy out the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel; of every tribe of their fathers shall ye send a man, every one a prince among them."

And Moses sent them from the wilderness of Paran according to the commandment of the Lord; all of them men who were heads of the children of Israel.

And Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said unto them, "Get you up here into the South, and go up into the mountains; and see the land, what it is; and the people that dwelleth therein, whether they are strong or weak, whether they are few or many; and what the land is that they dwell in, whether it is good or bad; and what cities they are that they dwell in, whether in camps, or in strongholds; and what the land is, whether it is fat or lean, whether there is wood therein, or not. And be ye of good courage, and bring of the fruit

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And they brought back word unto all the congregation, and showed them the fruit of the land.

of the land."—Now the time was the time of the first ripe grapes.

So they went up, and spied out the land. And they went up into the South, and the children of Anak were there.

And they came unto the valley of Eshcol, and cut down from thence a branch with one cluster of grapes, and they bore it upon a pole between two. They took also of the pomegranates, and of the figs,—That place was called the Valley of Eshcol,[1] because of the cluster which the children of Israel cut down from thence.

And they returned from spying out the land at the end of forty days. And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the wilderness of Paran; and brought back word unto them, and unto all the congregation, and showed them the fruit of the land.

And they told him, and said, "We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely it floweth with milk and honey; and this is the fruit of it. Howbeit the people that dwell in the land are fierce, and the cities are fortified, and very great; and moreover we saw the children of Anak there. Amalek dwelleth in the land of the South! and the Hittite, and the Jebusite, and the Amorite, dwell in

(1) *Eshcol* means *Cluster.*

the mountains; and the Canaanite dwelleth by the sea, and along by the side of the Jordan."

And Caleb stilled the people toward Moses, and said, "We should go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it."

But the men that went up with him said, "We are not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we."

And they spread an evil report of the land which they had spied out unto the children of Israel, saying, "The land, through which we have passed to spy it out, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of great stature. And there we saw the sons of Anak; and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight."

And all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night. And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses, and against Aaron; and the whole congregation said unto them, "Would that we had died in the land of Egypt! Or would we had died in this wilderness! And wherefore doth the Lord bring us into this land, to fall by the sword? Our wives and our little ones will be a prey. Were it not better for us to return into Egypt?" And they said one to another, "Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt."

Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of the children of Israel. And Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb, who were of them that spied out the land, tore their clothes. And they spoke unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, "The land, which we passed through to spy it out, is an exceeding good land. If the Lord delight in us, then He will bring us into this land, and give it unto us—a land which floweth with milk and honey. Only rebel not against the Lord, neither fear ye the people of the land; for they are bread for us; their defence is removed from over them, and the Lord is with us; fear them not."

But all the congregation bade stone them with stones, when the glory of the Lord appeared in the tent of meeting unto all the children of Israel.

And the Lord said unto Moses, "How long will this people despise Me? And how long will they not believe in Me, for all the signs which I have performed among them? I will smite them with the plague, and destroy them, and will make of thee a nation greater and mightier than they."

And Moses said unto the Lord, "When the Egyptians shall hear—for Thou broughtest up this people in Thy might from among them—they will say to the inhabitants of this land, who have heard that Thou Lord art in the midst of this people;

inasmuch as Thou Lord art seen face to face, and Thy cloud standeth over them, and Thou goest before them, in a pillar of cloud by day, and in a pillar of fire by night; now if Thou shalt kill this people as one man, then the nations which have heard the fame of Thee will speak, saying, 'Because the Lord was not able to bring this people into the land which He swore unto them, therefore He hath slain them in the wilderness.' And now, I pray Thee, let the power of the Lord be great, according as Thou hast spoken, saying, 'The Lord is slow to anger, and plenteous in lovingkindness, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, upon the third and upon the fourth generation.' Pardon, I pray Thee, the iniquity of this people according to the greatness of Thy lovingkindness, and according as Thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now."

And the Lord said, "I have pardoned according to thy word. But in very deed, as I live—and all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord—surely all those men that have seen My glory, and My signs, which I performed in Egypt, and in the wilderness, yet have put Me to proof these ten times, and have not listened to My voice; surely they shall not see the land which I swore unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that despised Me

see it. But My servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed Me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it.

"But your little ones, that ye said would be a prey, them will I bring in, and they shall know the land which ye have rejected. But as for you, you shall fall in this wilderness. And your children shall be wanderers in the wilderness forty years, and shall bear your strayings, until you be consumed in the wilderness. After the number of the days in which ye spied out the land, even forty days, for every day a year, shall ye bear your sins, even forty years, and ye shall know My displeasure. I the Lord have spoken, surely this will I do unto all this evil congregation, that are gathered together against Me; in this wilderness they shall be consumed, and there they shall die."

And Moses told these words unto all the children of Israel; and the people mourned greatly. And they rose up early in the morning, and got them up to the top of the mountain, saying, "Lo, we are here, and will go up unto the place which the Lord hath promised; for we have sinned."

And Moses said, "Wherefore now do ye transgress the commandment of the Lord, seeing it shall not prosper? Go not up, for the Lord is not among you; that ye be not smitten down before your

enemies. For there the Amalekite and the Canaanite are before you, and ye shall fall by the sword; because ye are turned back from following the Lord, and the Lord will not be with you."

But they presumed to go up to the top of the mountain; nevertheless the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and Moses, departed not out of the camp. Then the Amalekite and the Canaanite, who dwelt in that hill-country, came down, and smote them and beat them down.

—Numbers, Chapters 13, 14.

THE REBELLION OF KORAH

NOW Korah with Dathan and Abiram and On took men; and they rose up in face of Moses, with certain of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty men; they were princes of the congregation, the elect men of the assembly, men of renown; and they assembled themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said unto them, "Ye take too much upon you, seeing all the congregation are holy, every one of them, and the Lord is among them; wherefore then lift ye up yourselves above the assembly of the Lord?"

And when Moses heard it, he fell upon his face. And he spoke unto Korah and unto all his company; saying, "In the morning the Lord will show who are His, and who is holy, and will cause him to come near unto Him; even him whom He may choose will He cause to come near unto Him. This do: take the censers, Korah, and all his company; and put fire therein, and put incense upon them before the Lord to-morrow. And it shall be that the

man whom the Lord doth choose, he shall be holy; ye take too much upon you, ye sons of Levi." And Moses said unto Korah, "Hear now, ye sons of Levi: is it but a small thing unto you, that the God of Israel hath separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to Himself, to do the service of the tabernacle of the Lord, and to stand before the congregation to minister unto them; and that He hath brought thee near, and all thy brethren, the sons of Levi with thee? And will ye seek the priesthood also? Therefore thou and all thy company that are gathered together against the Lord—and as to Aaron, what is he that ye murmur against him?"

And Moses sent to call Dathan and Abiram; and they said, "We will not come up. Is it a small thing that thou hast brought us up out of a land flowing with milk and honey, to kill us in the wilderness, but thou must needs make thyself also a prince over us? Moreover thou hast not brought us into a land flowing with milk and honey, nor given us inheritance of fields and vineyards. Wilt thou put out the eyes of these men? We will not come up."

And Moses was very angry, and said unto the Lord, "Respect not their offering; I have not taken one ass from them, neither have I hurt one of them."

And Moses said unto Korah, "Be thou and all

thy congregation before the Lord, thou, and they, and Aaron, to-morrow; and take ye every man his fire-pan, and put incense upon them, and bring ye before the Lord every man his fire-pan, thou also, and Aaron, each his fire-pan."

And they took every man his fire-pan, and put fire in them, and laid incense thereon, and stood at the door of the tent of meeting with Moses and Aaron. And Korah gathered all the congregation against them unto the door of the tent of meeting; and the glory of the Lord appeared unto all the congregation.

And the Lord spoke unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, "Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment."

And they fell upon their faces, and said, "O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and wilt Thou be angry with all the congregation?"

And the Lord spoke unto Moses, saying, "Speak unto the congregation, saying, 'Get you up from about the dwelling of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.' "

And Moses rose up and went unto Dathan and Abiram; and the elders of Israel followed him. And he spoke unto the congregation, saying, "Depart, I pray you, from the tents of these wicked men, and

touch nothing of theirs, lest ye be swept away in all their sins."

So they got them up from the dwelling of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, on every side; and Dathan and Abiram came out, and stood at the door of their tents, with their wives, and their sons, and their little ones.

And Moses said, "Hereby ye shall know that the Lord hath sent me to do all these works, and that I have not done them of mine own mind. If these men die the common death of all men, then the Lord hath not sent me.

But if the Lord make a new thing, and the ground open her mouth, and swallow them up, with all that belong unto them, and they go down alive into the pit, then ye shall understand that these men have despised the Lord."

And it came to pass, as he made an end of speaking all these words, that the ground did split apart that was under them. And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their households, and all the men that belonged to Korah, and all their goods. So they, and all that belonged to them, went down alive into the pit; and the earth closed upon them, and they perished from among the assembly. And all Israel that were round about them fled at the cry of them; for they said, "Lest the earth swallow us up." And fire came

forth from the Lord, and devoured the men that offered the incense.

But on the morrow all the congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, "Ye have killed the people of the Lord." And it came to pass, when the congregation was assembled against Moses and against Aaron, that they looked toward the tent of meeting; and, behold, the cloud covered it, and the glory of the Lord appeared. And Moses and Aaron came to the front of the tent of meeting.

And the Lord spoke unto Moses, saying, "Get you up from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment."

And they fell upon their faces. And Moses said unto Aaron, "Take thy fire-pan, and put fire therein from off the altar, and lay incense thereon, and carry it quickly unto the congregation, and make atonement for them; for there is wrath gone out from the Lord: the plague is begun."

And Aaron took as Moses spoke, and ran into the midst of the assembly. And, behold, the plague was begun among the people. And he put on the incense, and made atonement for the people. And he stood between the dead and the living; and the plague was stayed.

And the Lord spoke unto Moses, saying, "Speak unto the children of Israel, and take of them rods,

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And, behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded, and put forth buds, and bloomed blossoms, and bore ripe almonds.

one for each fathers' house, of all their princes according to their fathers' houses, twelve rods; thou shalt write every man's name upon his rod. And thou shalt write Aaron's name upon the rod of Levi, for there shall be one rod for the head of their fathers' houses. And thou shalt lay them up in the tent of meeting before the testimony, where I meet with you. And it shall come to pass, that the man whom I shall choose, his rod shall bud; and I will make to cease from Me the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they murmur against you."

And Moses spoke unto the children of Israel; and all their princes gave him rods, for each prince one, according to their fathers' houses, even twelve rods; and the rod of Aaron was among their rods. And Moses laid up the rods before the Lord in the tent of the testimony.

And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses went into the tent of the testimony; and, behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded, and put forth buds, and bloomed blossoms, and bore ripe almonds. And Moses brought out all the rods from before the Lord unto all the children of Israel; and they looked, and took up every man his rod.

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Put back the rod of Aaron before the testimony, to be kept there, for a token against the rebellious children; that there

may be made an end of their murmurings against Me, that they die not."

Thus did Moses; as the Lord commanded him, so did he.

—Numbers, Chapters 16, 17.

THE WATERS OF MERIBAH

AND the children of Israel, even the whole congregation, came into the wilderness of Zin in the first month; and the people abode in Kadesh. And Miriam died there, and was buried there.

And there was no water for the congregation; and they assembled themselves together against Moses and against Aaron. And the people strove with Moses, and spoke, saying, "Why have ye brought the assembly of the Lord into this wilderness, to die there, we and our cattle? And wherefore have ye made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us in unto this evil place? It is no place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates; neither is there any water to drink."

And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly unto the door of the tent of meeting, and fell upon their faces; and the glory of the Lord appeared unto them.

And the Lord spoke unto Moses, saying, "Take the rod, and assemble the congregation, thou, and

Aaron thy brother, and speak ye unto the rock before their eyes, that it give forth its water; and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the rock; so thou shalt give the congregation and their cattle drink."

And Moses took the rod from before the Lord, as He commanded him. And Moses and Aaron gathered the people together before the rock, and he said unto them, "Hear now, ye rebels; are we to bring you forth water out of this rock?"

And Moses lifted up his hand, and smote the rock with his rod twice; and water came forth abundantly, and the congregation drank and their cattle drank also.

And the Lord said unto Moses and Aaron, "Because ye believed not in Me, to sanctify Me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this people into the land which I have given them."

These are the waters of Meribah,[1] where the children of Israel strove with the Lord, and He was sanctified in them.

—Numbers, Chapter 20.

(1) *Meribah* means *Strife.*

"THOU SHALT NOT PASS THROUGH"

AND Moses sent messengers from Kadesh unto the king of Edom: "Thus saith thy brother Israel: 'Thou knowest how our fathers went down into Egypt, and we dwelt in Egypt a long time; and the Egyptians dealt ill with us, and our fathers; and when we cried unto the Lord, He heard our voice, and sent an angel, and brought us forth out of Egypt; and, behold, we are in Kadesh, a city in the uttermost of thy border. Let us pass, I pray thee, through thy land; we will not pass through field or through vineyard, neither will we drink of the water of the wells. We will go along the king's highway, we will not turn aside to the right hand nor to the left, until we have passed thy border.' "

And Edom said to him, "Thou shalt not pass through me, lest I come out with the sword against thee."

And the children of Israel said unto him, "We will go up by the highway; and if we drink of thy water, I and my cattle, then will I give the price

thereof. Let me only pass through on my feet; there is no hurt."

And he said, "Thou shalt not pass through." And Edom came out against him with much people, and with a strong hand. Thus Edom refused to give Israel passage through his border; wherefore Israel turned away from him. And they journeyed from Kadesh; and the children of Israel, even the whole congregation, came unto Mount Hor.

And the Lord spoke unto Moses and Aaron in Mount Hor, by the border of the land of Edom, saying, "Aaron shall be gathered unto his people; for he shall not enter into the land which I have given unto the children of Israel, because ye rebelled against My word at the waters of Meribah. Take Aaron and Eleazar his son, and bring them up into Mount Hor. And strip Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son; and Aaron shall be gathered unto his people, and shall die there."

And Moses did as the Lord commanded; and they went up into Mount Hor in the sight of all the congregation. And Moses stripped Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar, his son; and Aaron died there in the top of the mount; and Moses and Eleazar came down from the mount.

And when all the congregation saw that Aaron was dead, they wept for Aaron thirty days, even all the house of Israel.

And Israel sent messengers unto Sihon, king of the Amorites, saying, "Let me pass through thy land; we will not turn aside into field, or into vineyard; we will not drink of the water of the wells. We will go by the king's highway, until we have passed thy border."

And Sihon would not allow Israel to pass through his border; but Sihon gathered all his people together, and went out against Israel into the wilderness; and he fought against Israel.

And Israel smote him with the edge of the sword, and possessed his land, even unto the children of Ammon; for the border of the children of Ammon was strong. And Israel took all these cities; and Israel dwelt in all the cities of the Amorites.

And they turned and went up by the way of Bashan; and Og the king of Bashan went out against them, he and all his people.

And the Lord said unto Moses, "Fear him not; for I have delivered him into thy hand, and all his people, and his land; and thou shalt do to him as thou didst unto Sihon, king of the Amorites."

So they smote him, and his sons, and all his people, until there was none left him remaining; and they possessed his land. And the children of Israel journeyed, and pitched their tents in the plains of Moab beyond the Jordan at Jericho.

—Numbers, Chapters 20, 21, 22.

"HOW GOODLY ARE THY TENTS, O JACOB"

AND Balak, the son of Zippor, saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites. And Moab was greatly afraid of the people, because they were many; and Moab was overcome with fear because of the children of Israel. And Moab said unto the elders of Midian, "Now will this multitude lick up all that is round about us, as the ox licketh up the grass of the field."

And Balak, the son of Zippor, was king of Moab at that time. And he sent messengers unto Balaam, the son of Beor, to Pethor, which is by the River, to the land of the children of his people, to call him, saying, "Behold, there is a people come out from Egypt. Behold, they cover the face of the earth, and they abide over against me. Come now therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people; for they are too mighty for me. Perhaps I shall prevail, that we may smite them, and that I may drive them out of the land. For I know that he whom thou blessest is blessed, and he whom thou cursest is cursed."

And the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the rewards of divination in their hand; and they came unto Balaam, and spoke unto him the words of Balak.

And he said unto them, "Lodge here this night, and I will bring you back word, as the Lord may speak unto me." And the princes of Moab abode with Balaam.

And God came unto Balaam, and said, "What men are these with thee?"

And Balaam said unto God, "Balak, king of Moab, hath sent them unto me, saying, 'Behold the people that is come out of Egypt, it covereth the face of the earth. Now, come, curse them for me. Perhaps I shall be able to fight against them, and shall drive them out.' "

And God said unto Balaam, 'Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people, for they are blessed."

And Balaam rose up in the morning, and said unto the princes of Balak, "Go to your land; for the Lord refuseth to give me leave to go with you."

And the princes of Moab rose up, and they went unto Balak, and said, "Balaam refuseth to come with us."

And Balak sent yet again princes, more, and more honorable than they. And they came to

Balaam, and said to him, "Thus saith Balak: 'Let nothing, I pray thee, hinder thee from coming unto me. For I will promote thee unto very great honor, and whatsoever thou sayest unto me I will do. Come therefore, pray thee, curse me this people."

And Balaam answered and said unto the servants of Balak, "If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of the Lord my God, to do anything, small or great. Now therefore, I pray you, tarry ye also here this night, that I may know what the Lord will speak unto me more."

And God came unto Balaam at night, and said unto him, "If the men are come to call thee, rise up, go with them; but only the word which I speak unto thee, that shalt thou do."

And Balaam rose up in the morning, and saddled his ass, and went with the princes of Moab. And God's anger was kindled because he went; and the angel of the Lord placed himself in the way against him. Now he was riding upon his ass, and his two servants were with him. And the ass saw the angel of the Lord standing in the way, with his sword drawn in his hand. And the ass turned aside out of the way, and went into the field. And Balaam smote the ass, to turn her into the way.

Then the angel of the Lord stood in a hollow path between the vineyards, a fence being on this side, and a fence on that side. And the ass saw the angel of the Lord, and she thrust herself unto the wall, and crushed Balaam's foot against the wall; and he smote her again.

And the angel of the Lord went further, and stood in a narrow place, where was no way to turn either to the right hand or to the left. And the ass saw the angel of the Lord, and she lay down under Balaam. And Balaam's anger was kindled, and he smote the ass with his staff.

And the Lord opened the mouth of the ass, and she said unto Balaam, "What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these three times?"

And Balaam said unto the ass, "Because thou hast mocked me. I would there were a sword in my hand, for now I had killed thee."

And the ass said unto Balaam, "Am I not thine ass, upon which thou hast ridden all thy life long unto this day? Was I ever wont to do so unto thee?"

And he said, "Nay."

Then the Lord opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the Lord standing in the way, with his sword drawn in his hand; and he bowed his head, and fell on his face.

And the angel of the Lord said unto him,

"Wherefore hast thou smitten thine ass these three times? Behold, I am come forth against thee, because thy way is contrary unto me. And the ass saw me, and turned aside before me these three times. Unless she had turned aside from me, surely now I had even slain thee, and saved her alive."

And Balaam said unto the angel of the Lord, "I have sinned; for I knew not that thou didst stand in the way against me. Now therefore, if it displease thee, I will get me back."

And the angel of the Lord said unto Balaam, "Go with the men; but only the word that I shall speak unto thee, that thou shalt speak."

So Balaam went with the princes of Balak.

And when Balak heard that Balaam was come, he went out to meet him unto Ir-moab, which is in the utmost part of the border. And Balak said unto Balaam, "Did I not earnestly send unto thee to call thee? Wherefore camest thou not unto me? Am I not able indeed to promote thee to honor?"

And Balaam said unto Balak, "Lo, I am come unto thee; have I now any power at all to speak any thing? The word that God putteth in my mouth, that shall I speak."

And Balaam went with Balak. And Balak sacrificed oxen and sheep, and sent to Balaam, and to the princes that were with him. And it came to pass in the morning that Balak took Balaam, and

brought him up into Bamoth-baal, and he saw from there the furthermost part of the people.

And Balaam said unto Balak, "Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven bullocks and seven rams." And Balak did as Balaam had spoken; and Balak and Balaam offered on every altar a bullock and a ram.

And Balaam said unto Balak, "Stand by thy burnt-offering, and I will go. Perhaps the Lord will come to meet me; and whatsoever He showeth me I will tell thee." And he went to a bare height.

And God met Balaam; and he said unto Him, "I have prepared the seven altars, and I have offered up a bullock and a ram on every altar."

And the Lord put a word in Balaam's mouth, and said, "Return unto Balak, and thus thou shalt speak."

And he returned unto him, and, lo, he stood by his burnt-offering, he, and all the princes of Moab. And he took up his parable, and said:

'From Aram Balak bringeth me,
The king of Moab from the mountains of the East:
'Come, curse me Jacob,
And come, denounce Israel.'
How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed?

And how shall I denounce, whom the Lord hath
not denounced?
For from the top of the rocks I see him,
And from the hills I behold him:
Lo, it is a people that shall dwell alone,
And shall not be counted among the nations.
Who hath counted the dust of Jacob,
Or numbered the stock of Israel?
Let me die the death of the righteous,
And let mine end be like his!"

And Balak said unto Balaam, "What hast thou done unto me? I took thee to curse mine enemies, and, behold, thou hast blessed them altogether."

And he answered and said, "Must I not take heed to speak that which the Lord putteth in my mouth?"

And Balak said unto him, "Come, I pray thee, with me unto another place, from whence thou mayest see him; thou shalt see but the utmost part of them, and shalt not see them all; and curse them from thence." And he took him to the top of Pisgah, and built seven altars, and offered up a bullock and a ram on every altar.

And he said unto Balak, "Stand here by thy burnt-offering, while I go toward a meeting yonder."

And the Lord met Balaam, and put a word in his mouth, and said, "Return unto Balak, and thus shalt thou speak."

And he came to him, and, lo, he stood by his burnt-offering, and the princes of Moab with him.

And Balak said unto him, "What hath the Lord spoken?"

And he took up his parable, and said:

"Arise, Balak, and hear;
Give ear unto me, thou son of Zippor:
God is not a man, that He should lie;
Neither the son of man, that He should repent:
When He hath said, will He not do it?
Or when He hath spoken, will He not make it good?
Behold, I am bidden to bless;
And when He hath blessed, I cannot call it back."

And Balak said unto Balaam, "Neither curse them at all, nor bless them at all."

But Balaam answered and said unto Balak, "Told not I thee, saying, 'All that the Lord speaketh, that I must do?' "

And Balak said unto Balaam, "Come now, I will take thee into another place; perhaps it will please God that thou mayest curse me them from thence." And Balak took Balaam unto the top of Peor, that looketh down upon the desert.

And Balaam said unto Balak, "Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven bullocks

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How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob, Thy dwellings, O Israel!

and seven rams." And Balak did as Balaam had said, and offered up a bullock and a ram on every altar.

And when Balaam saw that it pleased the Lord to bless Israel, he went not, as at the other times, to meet with enchantments, but he set his face toward the wilderness. And Balaam lifted up his eyes, and he saw Israel dwelling tribe by tribe; and the spirit of God came upon him. And he took up his parable, and said:

"How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob,
Thy dwellings, O Israel!
As valleys stretched out,
As gardens by the river-side;
As aloes planted of the Lord,
As cedars beside the waters;
Water shall flow from his branches,
And his seed shall be in many waters;
And his king shall be higher than Agag,
And his kingdom shall be exalted.
God who brought him forth out of Egypt
Is for him like the lofty horns of the wild-ox;
He shall eat up the nations that are his enemies,
And shall break their bones in pieces,
And pierce them through with his arrows.
He crouched, he lay down as a lion,
And as a lioness; who shall rouse him up?

Blessed be every one that blesseth thee,
And cursed be every one that curseth thee."

And Balak's anger was kindled against Balaam, and he smote his hands together; and Balak said unto Balaam, "I called thee to curse mine enemies, and, behold, thou hast altogether blessed them these three times. Therefore now flee thou to thy place; I thought to promote thee unto great honor; but, lo, the Lord hath kept thee back from honor."

And Balaam said unto Balak, "Spoke I not also to thy messengers that thou didst send unto me, saying, 'If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of the Lord, to do either good or bad of mine own hand; what the Lord speaketh, that will I speak?' "

And Balaam rose up, and went and returned to his place; and Balak also went his way.

—Numbers, Chapters 22, 23, 24.

THE CHILDREN OF REUBEN AND THE CHILDREN OF GAD

NOW the children of Reuben and the children of Gad had a great many cattle, and when they saw the land of Gilead, that, behold, the place was a place for cattle, the children of Gad and the children of Reuben came and spoke unto Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and unto the princes of the congregation, saying, "The land which the Lord overcame before the congregation of Israel is a land for cattle, and thy servants have cattle." And they said, "If we have found favor in thy sight, let this land be given unto thy servants for a possession; bring us not over the Jordan."

And Moses said unto the children of Gad and to the children of Reuben, "Shall your brethren go to the war, and shall ye sit here? And wherefore will ye turn away the heart of the children of Israel from going over into the land which the Lord hath given them? Thus did your fathers, when I sent them to see the land. For when they went up unto the valley of Eshcol, and saw the land, they turned

away the heart of the children of Israel, that they should not go into the land which the Lord had given them. And the Lord's anger was kindled in that day, and He swore, saying, "Surely none of the men that came up out of Egypt, from twenty years old and upward, shall see the land which I swore unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; because they have not wholly followed Me; save Caleb and Joshua; because they have wholly followed the Lord.' And the Lord's anger was kindled against Israel, and He made them wander to and fro in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation, that had done evil in the sight of the Lord, was consumed.

"And, behold, ye are risen up in your fathers' stead, a brood of sinful men, to add yet to the fierce anger of the Lord toward Israel. For if ye turn away from after Him, He will yet again leave them in the wilderness; and so ye will destroy all his people."

And they came near unto him, and said, "We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle, and cities for our little ones. But we ourselves will be ready, armed, to go before the children of Israel, until we have brought them unto their place. And our little ones shall dwell in the fortified cities because of the inhabitants of the land. We will not return unto our houses until the children of Israel have inherited every man his inheritance. For we will not inherit

with them on the other side of the Jordan, and forward, because our inheritance is fallen to us on this side of the Jordan eastward."

And Moses said unto them, "If ye will do this thing: if ye will arm yourselves to go before the Lord to the war, and every armed man of you will pass over the Jordan before the Lord, until He hath driven out His enemies from before Him, and the land be subdued before the Lord, and ye return afterward; then ye shall be clear before the Lord, and before Israel, and this land shall be unto you for a possession before the Lord. But if ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against the Lord; and know ye your sin which will find you. Build you cities for your little ones, and folds for your sheep; and do that which hath proceeded out of your mouth."

And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben spoke unto Moses, saying, "Thy servants will do as my lord commandeth. Our little ones, our wives, our flocks, and all our cattle, shall be there in the cities of Gilead; but thy servants will pass over, every man that is armed for war, before the Lord to battle, as my lord saith."

So Moses gave charge concerning them to Eleazar the priest, and to Joshua the son of Nun, and to the heads of the fathers' houses of the tribes of the children of Israel. And Moses said unto them,

"If the children of Gad and the children of Reuben will pass with you over the Jordan, every man that is armed to battle, before the Lord, and the land shall be subdued before you, then ye shall give them the land of Gilead for a possession; but if they will not pass over with you armed, they shall have possessions among you in the land of Canaan."

And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben answered, saying, "As the Lord hath said unto thy servants, so will we do. We will pass over armed before the Lord into the land of Canaan, and the possession of our inheritance shall remain with us beyond the Jordan."

And Moses gave unto them, even to the children of Gad, and to the children of Reuben, and unto the half-tribe of Manasseh, the son of Joseph, the kingdom of Sihon, king of the Amorites, and the kingdom of Og, king of Bashan, the land, according to the cities thereof with their borders, even the cities of the land round about.

—Numbers, Chapter 32.

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SOME OF THE WORDS WHICH MOSES SPOKE TO THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL

THESE are the words which Moses spoke unto all Israel beyond the Jordan, in the wilderness, saying:

And now, O Israel, give ear unto the laws and unto the ordinances, which I teach you, to do them; that ye may live and go in and possess the land which the Lord, the God of your fathers, giveth you. Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye take away from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you.

Behold, I have taught you laws and ordinances, even as the Lord my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the midst of the land whither ye go in to possess it. Observe therefore and do them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, that, when they hear all these laws, shall say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people." For what great nation is there that hath God so nigh unto them, as the Lord our God is whenever we call upon Him? And

what great nation is there that hath laws and ordinances so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?

Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes saw, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life; but make them known unto thy children and thy children's children; the day that thou stoodest before the Lord thy God in Horeb, when the Lord said unto me, "Assemble Me the people, and I will make them hear My words, that they may learn to fear Me all the days that they live upon the earth, and that they may teach their children." And ye came near and stood under the mountain; and the mountain burned with fire unto the heart of heaven, with darkness, cloud, and thick darkness. And the Lord spoke unto you out of the midst of the fire; ye heard the voice of words, but ye saw no form; only a voice. And He declared unto you His covenant, which He commanded you to perform, even the ten words; and He wrote them upon two tables of stone. And the Lord commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and ordinances, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go over to possess it.

Take ye therefore good heed unto yourselves—for ye saw no manner of form on the day that the Lord spoke unto you in Horeb out of the midst of

the fire—lest ye deal wickedly, and make you a graven image, even the form of any figure, the likeness of male or female, the likeness of any beast that is on the earth, the likeness of any winged fowl that flieth in the heaven, the likeness of any thing that creepeth on the ground, the likeness of any fish that is in the water under the earth; and lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun and the moon and the stars, even all the host of heaven, thou be drawn away and worship them, and serve them, which the Lord thy God hath allotted unto all the peoples under the whole heaven.

But the Lord hath taken you and brought you forth out of the iron furnace, out of Egypt, to be unto Him a people of inheritance, as ye are this day.

Now the Lord was angered with me for your sakes, and swore that I should not go over the Jordan, and that I should not go in unto that good land, which the Lord thy God giveth thee for an inheritance; but I must die in this land, I must not go over the Jordan; but ye are to go over, and possess that good land. Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of the Lord your God, which He made with you, and make you a graven image, even the likeness of any thing which the Lord thy God hath forbidden thee. For the Lord thy God is a devouring fire, a jealous God.

When thou shalt have children, and children's

children, and ye shall have been long in the land, and shall deal wickedly, and make a graven image, even the form of any thing, and shall do that which is evil in the sight of the Lord thy God, to provoke Him; I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto ye go over the Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong your days upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed.

And the Lord shall scatter you among the peoples, and ye shall be left few in number among the nations, whither the Lord shall lead you away. And there ye shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell.

But from thence ye will seek the Lord thy God; and thou shalt find Him, if thou search after Him with all thy heart and with all thy soul. In thy sorrow, when all these things are come unto thee, in the end of days, thou wilt return to the Lord thy God, and listen to His voice; for the Lord thy God is a merciful God; He will not fail thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which He swore unto them.

For ask now of the past days, which were before thee, since the day that God created man upon the earth, and from the one end of heaven unto the other, whether there hath been any such thing as

this great thing is, or hath been heard like it? Did ever a people hear the voice of God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as thou hast heard, and live? Or hath the Lord ever taken Him a nation from the midst of another nation, by trials, by signs, and by wonders, and by war, and by a mighty hand, and by an outstretched arm, and by great terrors, according to all that the Lord your God did for you in Egypt before thine eyes?

Unto thee it was shown, that thou mightest know that the Lord, He is God; there is none else beside Him. Out of heaven He made thee to hear His voice, that He might instruct thee; and upon earth He made thee to see His great fire; and thou didst hear His words out of the midst of the fire. And because He loved thy fathers, and chose their children after them, and brought thee out with His presence, with His great power, out of Egypt, to drive out from before thee nations greater and mightier than you to bring thee in, to give thee their land for an inheritance, as it is this day; know this day, and lay it to thy heart, that the Lord, He is God in heaven above and upon the earth beneath; there is none else.

And thou shalt keep His laws, and His commandments, which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days upon

the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee, forever.

—Deuteronomy, Chapter 4.

And Moses called unto all Israel, and said unto them:

Hear, O Israel, the statutes and the ordinances which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and observe to do them.

The Lord our God made a covenant with us in Horeb. The Lord made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us, even us, who are all of us here alive this day. The Lord spoke with you face to face in the mount out of the midst of the fire—I stood between the Lord and you at that time, to declare unto you the word of the Lord; for ye were afraid because of the fire, and went not up into the mount—saying:

I. I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

II. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me. Thou shalt not make unto thee a graven image, even any manner of likeness, of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down unto them, nor serve them; for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the third and

upon the fourth generation of them that hate Me, and showing mercy unto the thousandth generation of them that love Me and keep My commandments.

III. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

IV. Observe the sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the Lord thy God commanded thee. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is a sabbath unto the Lord thy God; in it thou shalt not do any manner of work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; that thy man-servant and thy maid-servant may rest as well as thou. And thou shalt remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and the Lord thy God brought thee out thence by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord thy God commanded thee to keep the sabbath day.

V. Honor thy father and thy mother, as the Lord thy God commanded thee; that thy days may be long, and that it may go well with thee, upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

VI. Thou shalt not murder.

VII. Neither shalt thou commit adultery.

VIII. Neither shalt thou steal.

IX. Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbor.

X. Neither shalt thou covet thy neighbor's wife; neither shalt thou desire thy neighbor's house, his field, or his man-servant, or his maid-servant, his ox, or his ass, or any thing that is thy neighbor's.

—Deuteronomy, Chapter 5.

Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one. And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be upon thy heart. And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thy house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thy hand, and they shall be for frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the door-posts of thy house, and upon thy gates.

—Deuteronomy, Chapter 6.

And now, Israel, what doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all His ways, and to love Him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul; to keep for thy good the commandments of the Lord, and His statutes, which I command thee this day?

Behold, unto the Lord thy God belongeth the heaven, and the heaven of heavens, the earth, with all that therein is. Only the Lord had a delight in thy fathers to love them, and He chose their seed after them, even you, above all peoples, as it is this day. For the Lord your God, He is God of gods, and Lord of lords, the great God, the mighty, and the awful, who regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward. He doth execute justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment. Love ye therefore the stranger; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt. Thou shalt fear the Lord thy God; Him shalt thou serve; and to Him shalt thou cleave, and by His name shalt thou swear. He is thy glory, and He is thy God, that hath done for thee these great and tremendous things, which thine eyes have seen. Thy fathers went down into Egypt with threescore and ten persons; and now the Lord thy God hath made thee as the stars of heaven for multitude.

—Deuteronomy, Chapter 10.

Thou shalt not see thy brother's ox or his sheep driven away, and hide thyself from them; thou shalt surely bring them back unto thy brother. And if thy brother be not nigh unto thee, and thou know him not, then thou shalt bring it home to thy house,

and it shall be with thee until thy brother require it, and thou shalt restore it to him. And so shalt thou do with his ass; and so shalt thou do with his garment; and so shalt thou do with every lost thing of thy brother's which he hath lost, and thou hast found; thou mayest not hide thyself.

Thou shalt not see thy brother's ass or his ox fallen down by the way, and hide thyself from them; thou shalt surely help him to lift them up again.

If a bird's nest chance to be before thee in the way, in any tree or on the ground, with young ones or eggs, and the mother-bird sitting upon the young, or upon the eggs, thou shalt not take the mother-bird with the young; thou shalt in any wise let the mother-bird go, but the young thou mayest take unto thyself; that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days.

When thou buildest a new house, then thou shalt make a railing for thy roof, that thou bring not blood upon thy house, if any man fall from thence.

No man shall take the mill or the upper millstone to pledge; for he taketh a man's life to pledge.

Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out the corn.

For this commandment which I command thee this day, it is not too hard for thee, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, "Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto

us, and make us to hear it, that we may do it?" Neither is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, "Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, and make us to hear it, that we may do it?" But the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.

See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil, in that I command thee this day to love the Lord thy God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments and His statutes and His ordinances; then thou shalt live and multiply, and the Lord thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest in to possess it. But if thy heart turn away, and thou wilt not bear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them; I declare unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish; ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over the Jordan to go in to possess it. I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that I have set before thee life and death, the blessing and the curse; therefore choose life, that thou mayest live, thou and thy seed; to love the Lord thy God, to hearken to His voice, and to cleave unto Him; for that is thy life, and the length of thy days; that thou mayest dwell in the land which the Lord swore unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

—Deuteronomy, Chapters 22, 24, 25, 30.

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The Lord will be with thee, He will not fail thee, neither forsake thee; fear not, neither be dismayed.

NO MAN KNOWETH OF HIS SEPULCHRE

AND Moses went and spoke these words unto all Israel. And he said unto them: "I am a hundred and twenty years old this day; I can no more go out and come in; and the Lord hath said unto me: 'Thou shalt not go over this Jordan.' The Lord thy God, He will go over before thee; He will destroy these nations from before thee, and thou shalt dispossess them; and Joshua, he shall go over before thee, as the Lord hath spoken. And the Lord will do unto them as He did to Sihon and to Og, the kings of the Amorites, and unto their land; whom He destroyed. And the Lord will deliver them up before you, and ye shall do unto them according unto all the commandment which I have commanded you. Be strong and of good courage, fear not, nor be affrighted at them; for the Lord thy God, He it is that doth go with thee; He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee."

And Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of all Israel: "Be strong and of good courage; for thou shalt go with this people into

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I have caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not go over thither.

the land which the Lord hath sworn unto their fathers to give them; and thou shalt cause them to inherit it. And the Lord, He it is that doth go before thee; He will be with thee, He will not fail thee, neither forsake thee; fear not, neither be dismayed."

And Moses went up from the plains of Moab unto Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, that is over against Jericho. And the Lord showed him all the land, even Gilead as far as Dan; and all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah as far as the hinder sea; and the South, and the Plain, even the valley of Jericho, the city of palm-trees, as far as Zoar.

And the Lord said unto him, "This is the land which I swore unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying, 'I will give it unto thy seed.' I have caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not go over thither."

So Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the Lord. And he was buried in the valley in the land of Moab over against Beth-peor; and no man knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day.

And Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died; his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated. And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; so the

days of weeping in the mourning for Moses were ended.

And Joshua, the son of Nun, was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his hands upon him. And the children of Israel hearkened unto him, and did as the Lord commanded Moses.

And there hath not arisen a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face; in all the signs and the wonders, which the Lord sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land; and in all the mighty hand, and in all the great terror, which Moses wrought in the sight of all Israel.

—Deuteronomy, Chapters 31, 34.

PRONOUNCING LIST

ā—pāy; ă—băd; ä—ärt; ē—mē; ĕ—bĕd; ē—fērn; ī—īce; ĭ—tĭn; ō—gō; ŏ—nŏt; ū—rūle; ŭ—rŭn.

Aaron, ā′rŭn
Abiram, ă-bī′ răm
acacia, a-kā-shŭh
Amalek, ăm′ăl-lĕk
Amalekite, ăm-ăl′-ĕk-īte
Ammon, äm′ mōn
Amorite, ăm′ or-īte
Anak, ā′năk
Aram, ā′răm
Balaam, bā′lăm
Balak, bā′lăk
Bamoth-baal, bā′mŏth-bā′ăl
Bashan, bā′shăn
Beor, bē′or
Beth-peor, bĕth-pē′or
Bezalel, bĕz-ä′lĕl
Caleb, kā′lĕb
Canaan, kā′năn
Canaanite, kā′năn-īte
Cubit, kyū′bit
Dathan, dā′thăn
Deuteronomy, dyū″ter-ŏn′o-[mī
Edom, ē′dŭm
Egypt, ē′jĭpt
Egyptian, ē-jĭp′shŭn
Eldad, ĕl′dăd
Eleazar, ĕl″ē-ā′zär
Eliezer, ĕl-ĭ-ē′zĕr
Elim, ē′lĭm
ephah, ē′fŏh
ephod, ē′fŏd
Ephraim, ē′frĭ-ĭm
Eshcol, ĕsh′kōl
Etham, ē′thăm
Exodus, ĕks′ō-dŭs
Gershom, gĕr′shōm
Gilead, gĭl′ĭ-ăd
Hebrew, hē-brū
hin, hĭn
Hittite, hĭt′īte
Hor, hōr
Horeb, hō′ rĕb
Hur, hoor
Ir-moab, ĭr″mō′ăb

Israel, ĭz′rĭ-ĕl
Jebusite, jĕ′bū-sīte
Jericho, jĕr′ĭ-kō
Jethro, jĕth′rō
Jordan, jōr′dăn
Joshua, jŏsh′yū-ŭh
Jubilee, jū′bĭ-lē
Kadesh, kā-dĕsh
Kibroth-hattaavah, kĭb′rōth-[hät-tä′ävah
Korah, kō′räh
laver, lā′vẽr
Levi, lē′vī
Leviticus, lĕ-vĭt′ĭk-ŭs
manna, măn′ŭh
Marah, mā′räh
Massah, măs′ŭh
Medad, mē′dăd
Meribah, mĕr′ĭ-bäh
Midian, mĭd′ĭ-ăn
Miriam, mĭr′ĭ-ăm
Moab, mō′ăb
Naphtali, năf′tă-lĭ
Nebo, nē′bō
Nun, nŭn
Og, ōg
Oholiab, o-hō′lĭ-ăb
omer, ō′ mẽr
On, ōn
Paran, pā′răn
Peor, pē′or
Pethor, pē′thōr
Pharaoh, fā′rō
Pisgah, pĭz′gŭh
Pithom, pī′thŏm
Rameses, răm′ē-sēs
Rephidim, rĕf′ĭ-dĭm
saith, sĕth
Shur, shūr
Sihon, sī′hŏn
Sin, sĭn
Sinai, sī′nī
Succoth, sūk′-ōth
tabernacle, tăb′ĕr-nă-kl
Zin, zĭn
Zippor, zĭp′ōr
Zipporah, zĭ-pō′rŭh